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COMMENT OF THE DAY

The Dangers Of Recession

THE latest United Nations World Economic Report focuses attention on two important points. First, it insists that the decline in US business activity since the middle of 1953 cannot be dismissed merely as an inventory recession. That is to say, it is not a self-adjusting process—the fall automatically giving way to another resumption of the long-term upward trend as soon as stocks have been sufficiently reduced. Behind the inventory aspect of the recession, which has made the newspaper headlines, there is the much less tractable problem of finding something to offset the decline in Government defence expenditure. The second important point made by the UN report is that this is not a problem peculiar to the United States. It is true that up to date Western Europe, so far from generating its own independent recession side by side with the US, has actually provided, through its own continued expansion, the additional demand for commodities which has helped to prevent the American trouble from spreading rapidly through the rest of the world. But in the long run, the report suggests, West European Governments will, as they reduce their defence spending, face the same problem of calling into being substitute forces to sustain economic activity, as has now emerged in the United States.

AN obvious answer, it might seem, would be to increase Government spending for civilian purposes as defence expenditure declines. But that is carrying economic arithmetic to the point where it is utterly remote from human desires, and the political policies in which they are expressed. The fact is that no normal Western Government would be likely to act in this way. Thus, barring some vast programme of foreign investment, which stimulates the demand of underdeveloped countries for manufactured goods, the industrial countries must depend for the maintenance of employment and business on rising personal consumption and private capital investment. The conclusion that emerges from the United Nations analysis is consumers cannot be relied upon to do the trick by themselves. It suggests that a decline in Government defence spending will, even if it is accompanied by a cut in taxation, tend to make people spend less and save more. Certainly, what has happened in the American recession so far bears out this contention. Although disposable income after taxes has gone up, the change in the economic climate appears to have made people save the extra margin. Consumer expenditure on manufactured goods has actually fallen slightly. So the conclusion is that the crucial factor is the trend of private investment in fixed capital. It is not very encouraging, therefore, that the latest indications from the US are that several large business enterprises are now revealing their earlier investment plans for this year downwards.

MALAYA RUBBER INDUSTRY MUST—

REPLANT OR DIE

Kuala Lumpur, June 22. Sir Francis Mudie, chairman of the three-man rubber fact finding mission, said today that the Malayan rubber industry must "replant or die."

He appealed to the public for information and opinions when he spoke at the mission's first press conference.

Sir Francis said the natural rubber industry could "kill two birds with one stone" by replanting, coping with increased demands for rubber and fall in the price of synthetic.

He said: "We can't sit and wait for the price of synthetic to fall. We must look ahead. You have a well developed industry. You have experience and everything else. In your position you can beat anyone."

KEEN COMPETITION

Sir Francis said competition from synthetic would be more keen in the future, as keen as American businessmen wanted to make it.

"Germany also might produce synthetic as well as France, Italy and Britain."

He added: "The important thing you must keep in mind is the fact that discovery of any new process in synthetic rubber production may be able to be put into use within a year and thereby bring down the price of synthetic in that time. In the natural rubber industry it is not possible to do this."

"If a reasonable replanting programme is adopted then the cost will come down and the price will go up. These are conditions necessary if you want to compete with synthetic."

Other members of the mission are Dr. J. R. Ruckman, reader in agricultural economics at the University of London, and Mr. Bernard Marsh, member of a leading firm of chartered accountants in London.

Sir Francis said the mission expected to finish its survey in two months.

He said the mission would not make any recommendations regarding wages as this question was not included in the mission's terms of reference.

Commenting on the terms of reference on unemployment, Sir Francis said: "We are concerned with prevention of unemployment. Our business is to see how employment could be maintained in industry."—Reuter.

Fire Damages Two Ships

Hamburg, June 22. The 240-ton British tanker, Affinity, and the German 782-ton tanker, Otto, were damaged today by a fire which broke out aboard the Otto. Both vessels were berthed in Hamburg harbour.

The fire started when an oil pipe burst aboard the Otto. Burning oil poured into the water and made the Affinity's steel plates red hot, starting a fire in her cabins.

The fires were put out within an hour after parts of the Affinity had been flooded.

Harbour officials said it was not yet certain whether the Affinity would be able to put to sea without repairs. She is owned by F.T. Everard and Sons of London.—Reuter.

Air-Sea Search For Drifting Boat

Penang, June 22. Royal Air Force planes today joined the air and sea search for a fishing boat adrift with six men aboard somewhere off the north-western coast of Malaya.

The boat left Penang nearly three weeks ago. It became stranded with propeller trouble. Nine members of the crew had since returned by sampans before the drifting boat became lost.

An attempt was made last week to find the boat, but it failed.

Mr. D. W. Le Mat, Director of Fisheries, Malaya, who is co-

Chou-Mendes-France Talks May Be Decisive

FRENCH PREMIER LEAVES FOR BERNE

Geneva, June 22.

Observers in Geneva strongly believe that the talks between French Premier Pierre Mendes-France and Chinese Communist Premier Chou En-lai scheduled for tomorrow, will be decisive for the future of the Geneva Conference.

It seems obvious that the two statesmen will discuss the solutions proposed by the military commission now meeting in Geneva, as well as the questions not yet settled at the conference without, however, dealing with the details, which would be left to the experts.

Beginning at 3 p.m., the two premiers, meeting in the French Embassy at Berne, will review the Indo-China question. It is not known if they will limit their talks to this subject alone or if they will also discuss the matter of Franco-Chinese relations.

The various delegations in Geneva are awaiting with interest the outcome of the talks which will probably decide the future of the negotiations here.

M. Jean Chauvel, the acting head of the French delegation at Geneva, had an interview this morning with Mr Chou En-lai to make preparations for the official talk tomorrow.

The forthcoming meeting between the French and Chinese premiers is expected to be the background of the afternoon session on Indo-China held by the Geneva Conference. Nothing new was produced. The question of armistice control was brought up again, and the details of the different delegations' views were explained.

The Communist delegations showed a general inclination to treat the matter of Indo-China as a whole. Thus Mr K. V. Novikov, the Soviet representative, showed no intention of supporting the creation of three separate commissions, one for each of the Indo-China states, as Cambodia had suggested.

The non-Communist delegations concentrated most of their attention on Laos and Cambodia, making it clear that they considered there was a fundamental difference between the situation in these countries and in Vietnam.

The Laotian representative, Ours Souvanavong, made an original proposal suggesting that the two co-chairmen, British and Soviet, should attempt to reconcile their views on the armistice control question, without, however, ignoring the proposal made last Friday by the French delegate for a special commission to be set up for that purpose.

Mr Novikov indicated that he had not yet answered the French proposal because he was awaiting the arrival tomorrow of Vassili Kuznetsov, Deputy Foreign Minister, who will head the Soviet delegation here.—France Press.

LEAVES FOR BERNE

Paris, June 22. The French Premier, M. Pierre Mendes-France, left Paris last night at 10.05 for Berne to meet Chinese Foreign Minister Chou En-lai.

M. Mendes-France arrived smiling at the station, accompanied by his wife and nearly all his Ministers. They included General Pierre Koenig, Defence Minister, M. Christian Fouchet, Minister for Morocco and Tunisia, and M. Jean Guerin, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs.

A magnet which police confiscated from a cheating pinball man saved a 26-day-old baby's life, the *Amal* evening news reported from Hiroshima town in southern Japan today.

A doctor used the magnet to pull a steel ball from the baby's throat where it had lodged.

Police, who delivered the magnet to the doctor, said they had confiscated it from a man who had been using it to guide the steel balls used in pinball games and win prizes.—United Press.

DIEN BIEN PHU ESCAPES SAFE

Saigon, June 22. Nine more French Union soldiers who fought at Dien Bien Phu reached French ports in northern Laos yesterday.

More than 100 men of the Dien Bien Phu garrison have now reached the French lines since the jungle stronghold fell to the Vietnamese.—Reuter.

Guatemala Latest

Showdown Battle Impending

REBEL PLANES OVER CAPITAL

Tegucigalpa, June 22. Anti-Communist rebels and Guatemalan government troops were reported gathering for a showdown battle today after the rebels reported they had isolated Puerto Barrios by cutting an important railway line.

Communists indicated that a major battle, which could be decisive, was shaping up at a rail junction in Zacapa State, 75 miles from Guatemala City, the capital.

Colonel Carlos Castillo Armas, leader of the anti-Communist forces, said his followers were advancing steadily across Guatemala from east to west. His forces struck from neighbouring Honduras.

Enemy planes flew over Guatemala City today for the first time since Saturday, drawing heavy anti-aircraft fire and sending ambulances and fire engines to the southern section of the city, where the airport and military installations are situated.

The anti-aircraft fire was heard shortly after the planes were sighted over the capital at 7.30 a.m. After the planes withdrew ambulances and fire engines rushed towards the airport area.—United Press.

RADIO CONTEST

Belize, British Honduras, June 22.

A broadcast claimed to be from Radio Guatemala said today the rebel leader, Colonel Castillo Armas, had taken over the Republic of Guatemala and named himself President.

But a second broadcast heard here, also claimed to be from Radio Guatemala, said the first report was false.

It quoted an Army High Command statement claiming victory in three battles with heavy rebel losses and said victory for the Government forces was very near.

The statement said that at Gualan, near Zacapa, on the road from the Caribbean coast to Guatemala City, the rebels suffered heavy losses when the Army used mortar and artillery fire in a battle yesterday. Many prisoners were taken.

It added that the Army made contact with the rebels at two other places today—the key Caribbean port of Puerto Barrios and Chiquimula, north of Zacapa.

The statement said many rebel soldiers captured when attempting to land near Puerto Barrios and arms and high explosives from a vessel carrying the invaders were also seized.

Rebel troops were trying to cut off the railway in Puerto Barrios, but the Army counter-attacked and many rebel patrols were surrounded with no possible chance of escape.

In Chiquimula, the Army also repelled the invaders with heavy losses, the statement said. The Army captured two Army lorries, ammunition, arms and supplies.

Claiming victory for the Government forces was very near, the High Command said a full report on this would be issued soon.

IDENTIFYING SIGNAL

Radio Guatemala later asked the people to listen for chimes ringing out the first few bars of the national anthem to identify the station.

It said the earlier report of the fall of the Government was made by "Radio Liberation" transmitting from Honduras.

The station said the only purpose of the earlier broadcast was to cause "consternation and panic to the citizens."

It warned the listeners not to believe the lies by "traitors" in the service of the United Fruit Company.

The Radio also reiterated a long-standing policy of a news embargo on local news and of a news embargo on local news and of a news embargo on local news.—(Continued on back page, see 5)

Election Winner



A striking action study of Dr Nkrumah, Gold Coast Premier, who will, following last week's elections, lead the first all-African Cabinet in Africa. This picture was taken at a rally in the Subin Valley in Kumasi, chief town of the Ashanti. He wears a Northern Territories type of smock. On his left is Mr Gbedemah, Minister of Commerce and Industry in the old parliament, and Nkrumah's right-hand man.—London Express Photo.

Chou En-lai Expected To Seek Assurances From Mr Nehru

New York, June 22.

Mr Chou En-lai, the Chinese Prime Minister, will probably tell his Indian opposite number Mr Jawaharlal Nehru this week that China would strongly disapprove any suggestion of India's associating herself with an anti-Communist South-east Asian defence pact.

Diplomats at the United Nations Headquarters here believe the projected regional grouping, sponsored by the Western powers, will be one of the main topics of the informal talks the two Prime Ministers are to have in Delhi this week.

Mr Chou bitterly attacked the proposed alliance when he made his "Asia for the Asians" speech at the Korea and Indo-China conference in Geneva last month. Britain, which based its Geneva policy largely on winning the sympathy of neutral Asia, hopes that some of the neighbouring states will eventually join the grouping. But she has little hope of influencing India away from its traditional neutrality.

Mr Chou is expected to ask Mr Nehru for his views on which nations would probably consider membership of such a pact. Thailand and the Philippines are the only firm candidates so far.

President Eisenhower and Sir Winston Churchill will probably discuss other possible members when they meet in Washington this weekend.

Britain, France and the United States first mooted a Southeast Asian pact on the lines of the Atlantic alliance last April. The plan then went into cold storage because Britain refused to pursue it until the outcome of the Geneva conference was clear.

Another priority subject for the Chou-Nehru meeting is almost certain to be the international commission. It is proposed to set up to help supervise an Indo-China armistice.

With Mr Nehru's sanction both East and West have proposed India as a leading member of the commission. But Russia and China want to include at least one Communist state in the commission and give any member the right of veto while decisions are taken on important issues.

India had agreed to join the international commission when British proposals in 1950 called for the five Communist powers.

10,000-Mile Voyage On A Raft Begins

Callao, Peru, June 22. William Willis, 61-year-old New Yorker, sailed today on a 84-foot raft in an attempt to cross the Pacific Ocean, accompanied only by a cat and a parrot.

A Peruvian Navy tug towed the balsa wood raft to a point about 10 miles offshore, in the midst of the Humboldt Current, which the New Yorker hopes will carry him as far as Samoa, some 10,000 miles away.

When the towing line was cast off, Willis hoisted his two orlon sails aboard the raft and was on his own.

"Eke" the parrot was seen friskily climbing up the rigging and those on board the tug heard a shrill parting verbal volley. The cat took shelter in the small, palm-thatched cabin.

As the tug turned back to Callao, carrying Mrs Willis and a group of naval officials and newsmen, the raft soon became a mere dot on the ocean and finally disappeared.

Willis estimates the trip may last four to five months. His raft, named the Seven Little Brothers after the seven balsa tree trunks from which it was made, is only about half the size of the raft Kon Tiki, on which six Scandinavians crossed the Pacific in 1947.

FITTED WITH KEEL

Unlike the Kon Tiki, which had only a centre board and a steering oar, the Seven Little Brothers is equipped with a regular keel and a steering wheel. Willis said he was sure it would be faster than the Kon Tiki, easier to steer and would take him further away than the Scandinavians went.

Willis said he had no scientific theories to prove by his trip, whereas the Scandinavians on the Kon Tiki sought to prove that the South Pacific Islands were inhabited many centuries ago by South American natives who crossed the Pacific on rafts similar to theirs.

"I just want to show that a solitary man can conquer the ocean and the fury of the elements with his bare hands and the most rudimentary means of navigation," said Willis. "I also want to take colour pictures and gather material for a book."

EQUIPMENT

His raft is equipped with twin masts, radio transmitting and receiving equipment, two engines, compasses, a water tank with supply for four or five months on the basis of one gallon daily consumption, sextants and navigation charts.

As for food, Willis said, he would use chiefly the Peruvian cereal known as "machica," made from a variety of wild corn, with brown sugar and water.—United Press.

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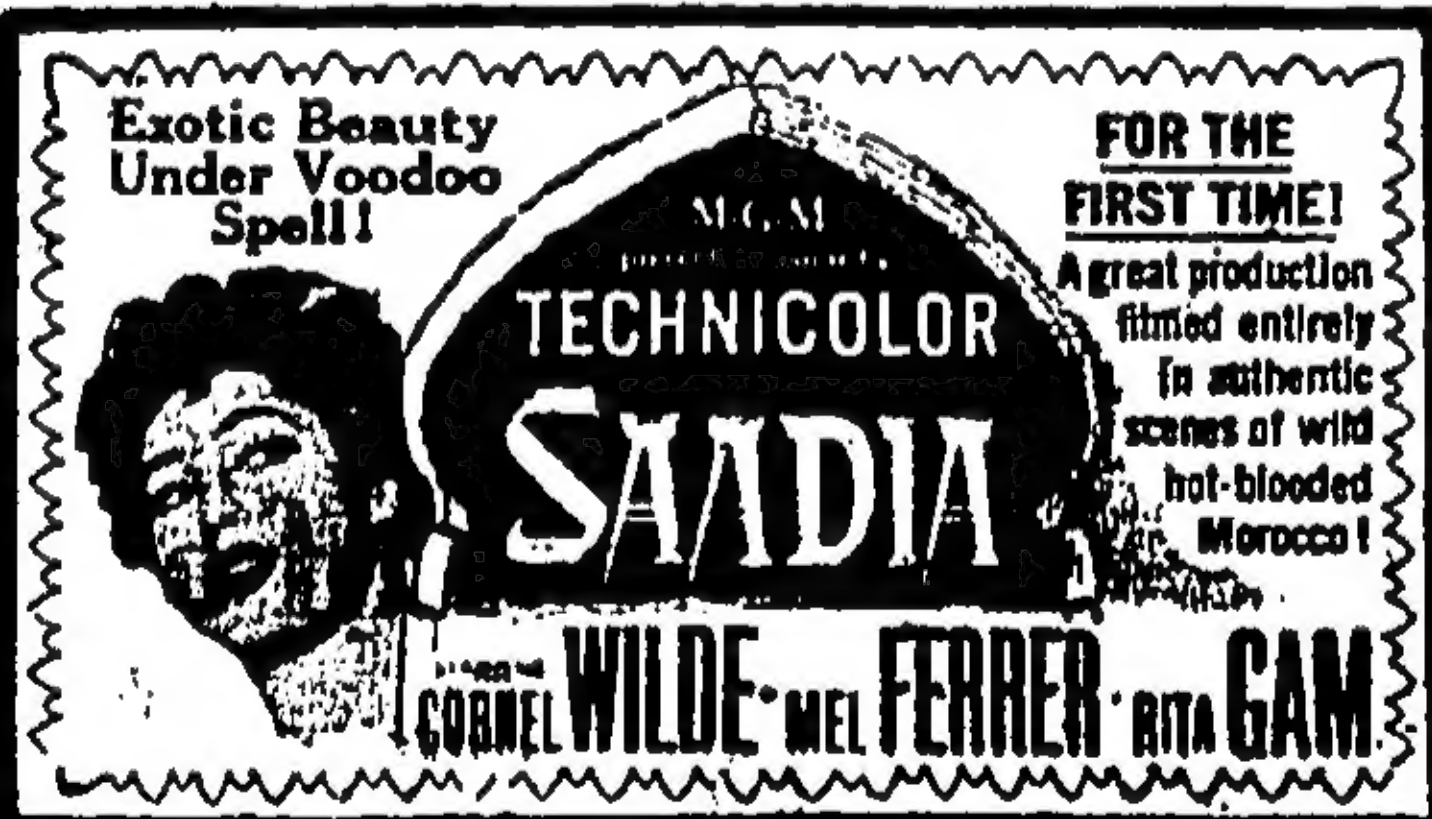
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In Atomic Age

Population Shifts Predicted

Washington, June 22. A Defence Department atomic expert, Mr. Robert Lebaron, said that peacetime atomic power will cause a tremendous shift in America's population by the end of this century.

He predicted that the middle-west and south-west particularly will come under "substantial development."

With the threat of atomic war, Lebaron said in a copy-righted interview with U.S. News & World Report, a weekly news magazine, "I don't believe the world will ever be satisfied again to keep big concentrations of peoples in small target areas."

Mr. Lebaron, Chairman of the Military Liaison Committee to the Atomic Energy Commission, predicted that in 50 years "you may have to look hard to find a steam power plant."

He said that in three years nuclear power will be turning out electricity for commercial use, with large quantities of such power available in five years.

What will happen, Lebaron said, is "a completely new type of industry, a decentralised type, which will enable us to utilise our resources and facilities in a much more flexible manner and in a great many ways that haven't been open to us."

Mr. Lebaron said atomic power is potentially cheaper than steam power and pointed out that uranium reserves are estimated to be 25 times greater than world coal reserves and 100 times more than oil and gas resources.

"There are many places where small atomic power plants could produce a vision of the future for the world as to what all nations could have in their own right in the next 20 or 30 years," he said.—United Press.

No British Motor Bicycles For Red China

London, June 22. The Minister of State at the Board of Trade, Mr. Derrick Heathcoat-Amory, said today his Department was willing to do all it could to encourage the export of non-strategic goods to China.

But the possibilities of developing this trade depended on the policy of the Chinese Government, he told the House of Commons.

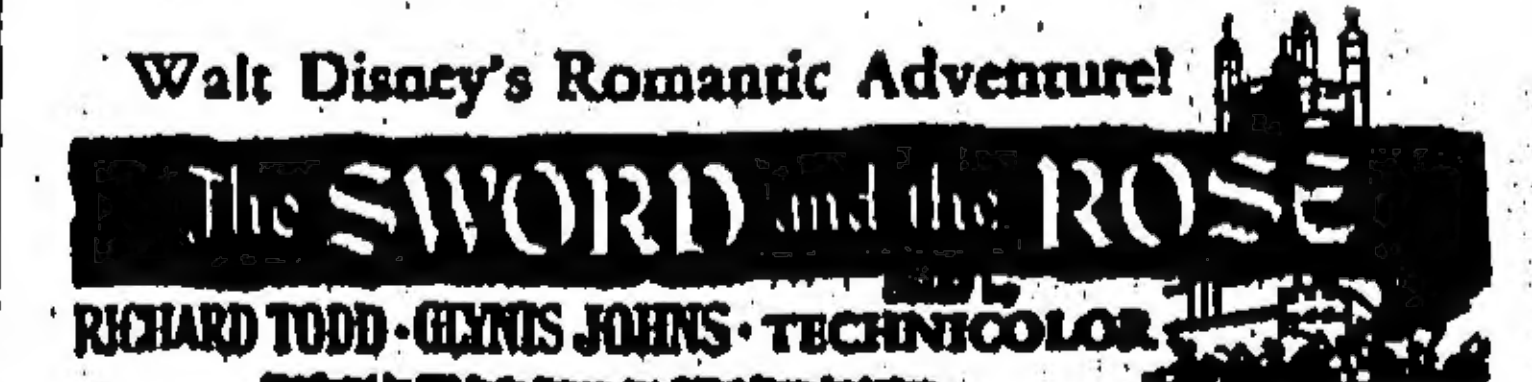
Mr. Emrys Hughes, a Labour member, had asked what the Department had done to export British cycles and motor cycles to China.

Mr. Amory said the export of motor cycles to China was prohibited under the United Nations resolution. But there was no embargo on the export of pedal cycles.

Mr. Hughes said the Minister had previously stated that Britain was exporting small passenger cars to China. Why should these go and not motor cycles?

Mr. Amory said it was commonly known that motor cycles were used in military formations.—Reuters.

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Ladies' Hands Are Getting Smaller

London, June 22. British women's hands are getting smaller, say jewellers, and they can't explain why.

The size of engagement and wedding rings they sell is now well below the average of several years ago.

"And that applies to agricultural areas, too, where women have bigger hands than city women," an official said.—China Mail Special.

UK Willing To Consider Asian Alliance

Washington, June 22. The British Ambassador to Washington, Sir Roger Makins, said today Britain was "very willing to consider the possibility of a security system for South-east Asia."

He was taking part in a television interview with two Democratic members of the House of Representatives, Mr. Hale Boggs and Mr. Edward Herbert, both of Louisiana.

Sir Roger Makins said: "It is important to Britain to establish a security system in South-east Asia. It has been one of our purposes over a long period to try to bring that about."

He rejected reports of a rift in Anglo-American relations, describing them as "very much exaggerated."—Reuters.

Huge Malaria Toll In India

New Delhi, June 22. About 75 million people in India suffer from malaria, the "greatest single destroyer of the human race," said India's Health Minister Rajakumari Amrit Kaur. She was inaugurating a national malaria publicity week for all India.

Of the 75 million sufferers, about 700,000 died directly from its ravages and a similar number due to the undermining of their health, she added.

"It is not merely a matter of casualties," she said. Its baneful effects impede the progress of our nation in almost all aspects of human endeavour particularly in agriculture, industry and commerce.

The Indian Government's programme against the disease so far includes the spraying of about 10 million houses with enough disinfectant to protect about 70 million people in malaria areas, the minister added.—Reuters.

Flensburg, W. Germany, June 22.

West German road authorities intend to compile a "sinners' file" of the 4,800,000 licensed drivers in the country.

All traffic offences will be listed on index cards. Once a month by means of an electronic scanning device the files will be searched for cards bearing an excessive number of offences. Police will then take action against chronic "sinners".

Applicants for licences will be checked against the index to prevent banned drivers from applying for a new one in another district.—China Mail Special.

Centralised Police Force Restored In Japan

Yoshida Takes Control On July 1

Tokyo, June 23.

The Japanese Prime Minister, Mr. Yoshida, after a political struggle lasting more than a year, will take over supreme control of more than 170,000 police on July 1.

On that day, one of the most important reforms of the Occupation, the decentralisation of police law, becomes a dead letter. A Government Bill to change it was passed by the Upper House of the Japanese Diet (Parliament) on June 3, in spite of strong opposition from the Japanese press and a public which fears a revival of the pre-war police state.

When it comes into force on July 1, all Japanese police will come under the control of a civilian National Safety Commission and a Police Board.

The Chairman of the National Safety Commission will be a Cabinet Minister appointed by the Prime Minister.

The head of the police board will also be appointed by the Prime Minister.

Police administration will be split into prefectural units with a police chief to be appointed by the prefectural governor, at the head of each unit.

Under the new law, the Prime Minister has complete control over the police. Although the law states that he acts on the recommendation or advice of the National Safety Commission, there is nothing in the text of the law to say whether he is bound to accept the recommendations or advice of the Commission.

STRONGER THAN EVER

Under the new system the police are stronger and have greater potential power than the force which was abolished by the occupation commander, General Douglas MacArthur on grounds that it was used by the militarists and the politicians as a personal force to control the people.

The police system set up by the occupation was composed of

"Himmlers Or Berias"

Daisaburo Tsugata, head of the pre-war police bureau, which was commonly known—and dreaded—as the "Devil's Bureau", said that the new system would create "Himmlers or Berias" if some dictatorial Prime Minister or Government Official "misused the power given the chief of the National Police Board."

"Even in pre-war days," he added, "the chief of the police bureau was not given so much authority as the new police board chief will have."

Mr. Yoshida has two difficulties to face when the new system comes into effect.

CITIES OPPOSED

First the assemblies of five out of six of Japan's largest cities, Kobe, Osaka, Nagoya, Kyoto and Yokohama, are opposed to it.

Government supporters in the Kobe and Osaka Assemblies have even withdrawn from the Conservative, Liberal and Progressive parties in protest against the change in the system.

The major complaint of the cities opposed to the new law is that they are expected to share the burden of paying for the police while the Central Government has complete control.

The second difficulty is a dispute over the validity of the passage of the Bill in the Upper House. This may eventually have to be decided by the Supreme Court.

The dispute arose but of the rioting in the Lower House of the Diet on June 3 during a debate on the extension of the session.

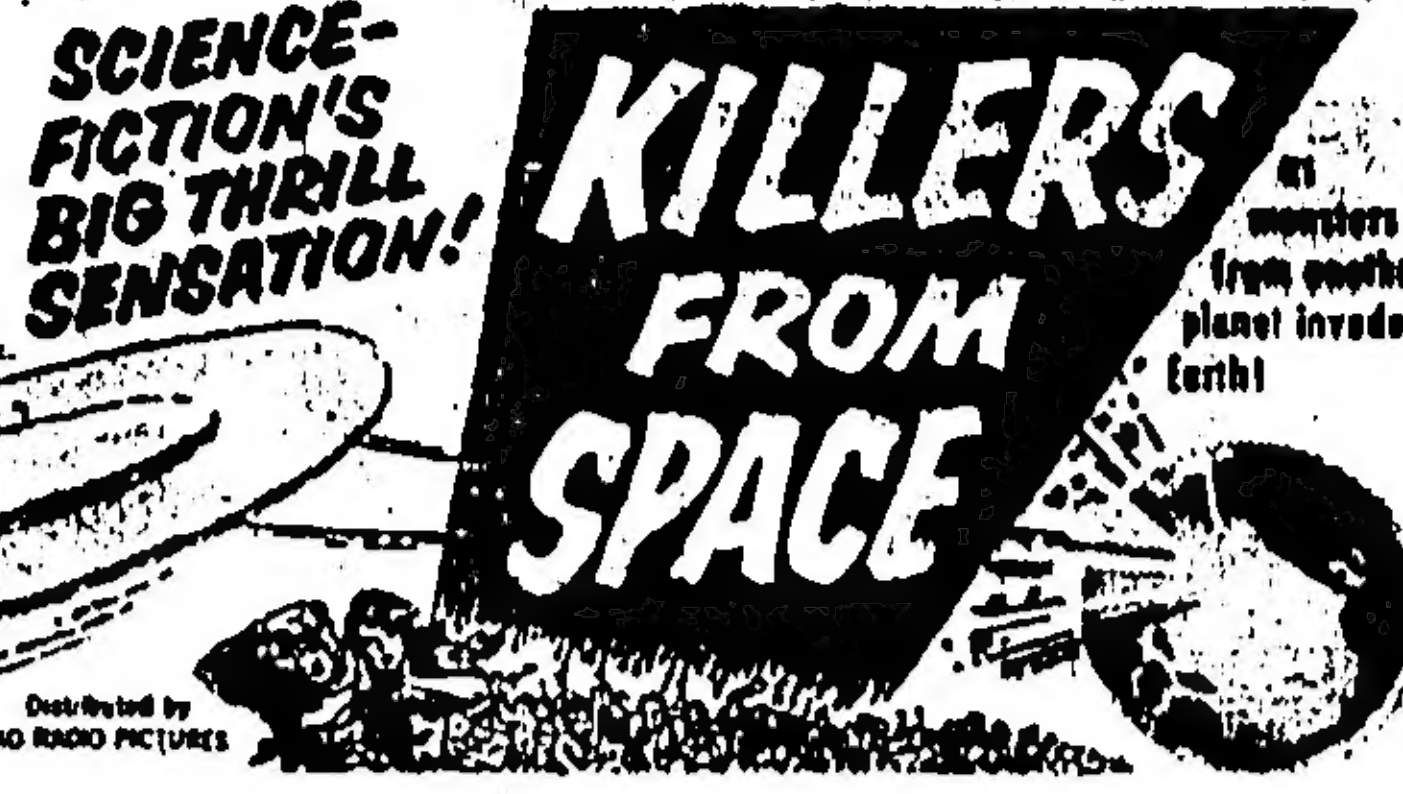
The session was scheduled to end at midnight on June 3, when the speaker of the Lower House, Mr. Yasujiro Tsutsumi, attempted to enter the Chamber to proclaim the extension of the session, the Socialists, who are accused of starting the riot, prevented him from taking his Chair.

AGAINST THE RULES

He thenupon made the declaration standing in the doorway.

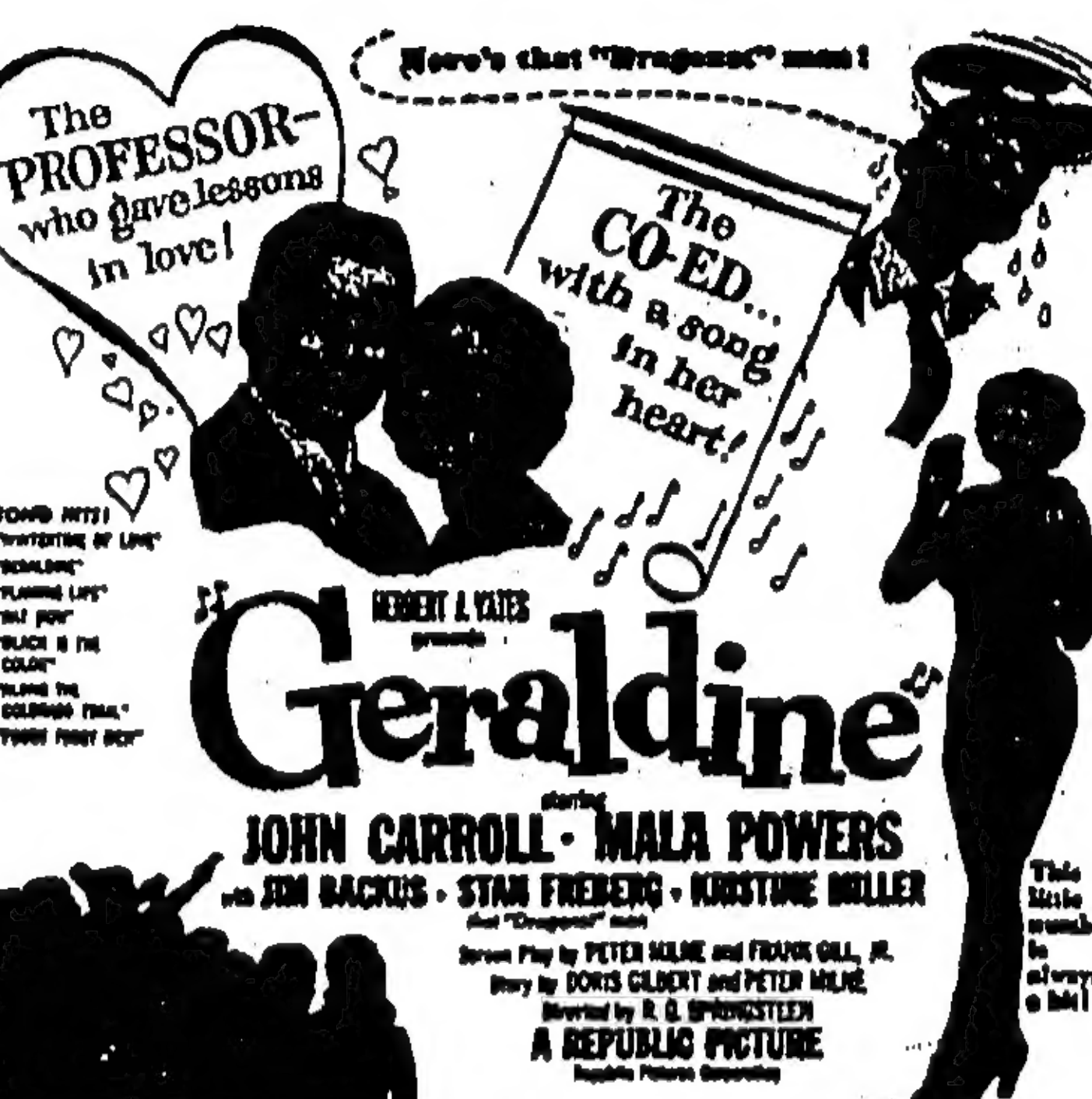
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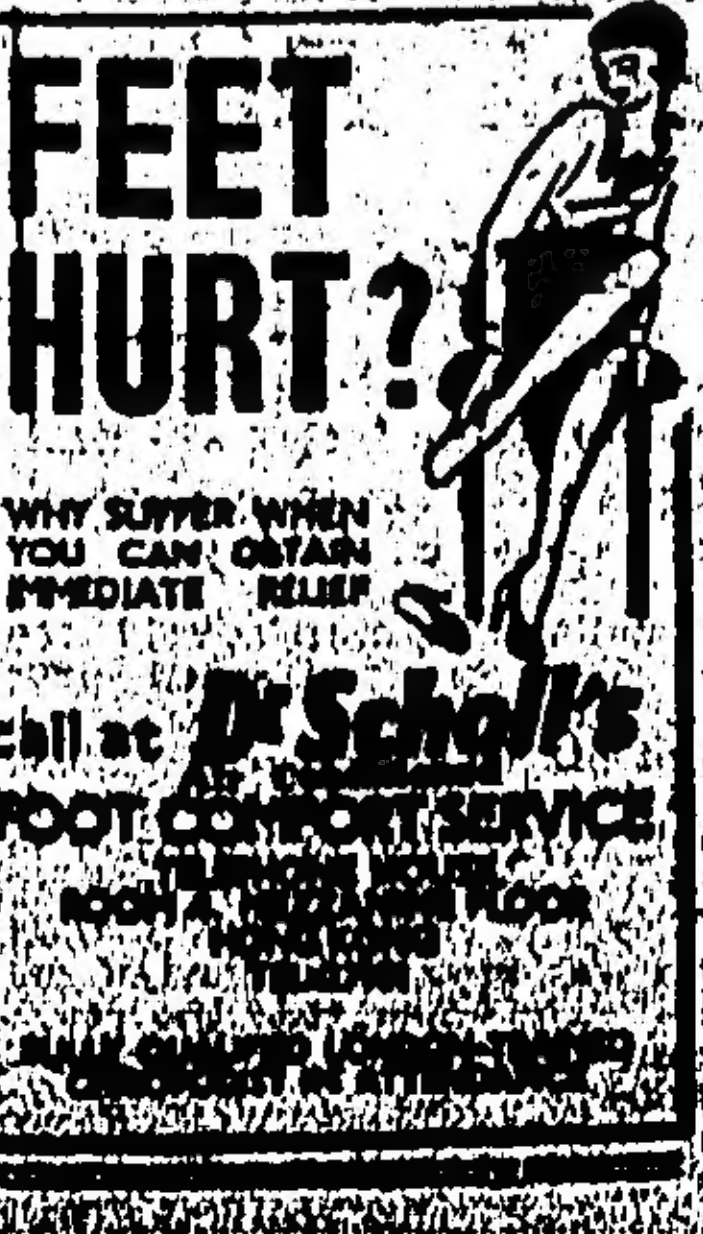
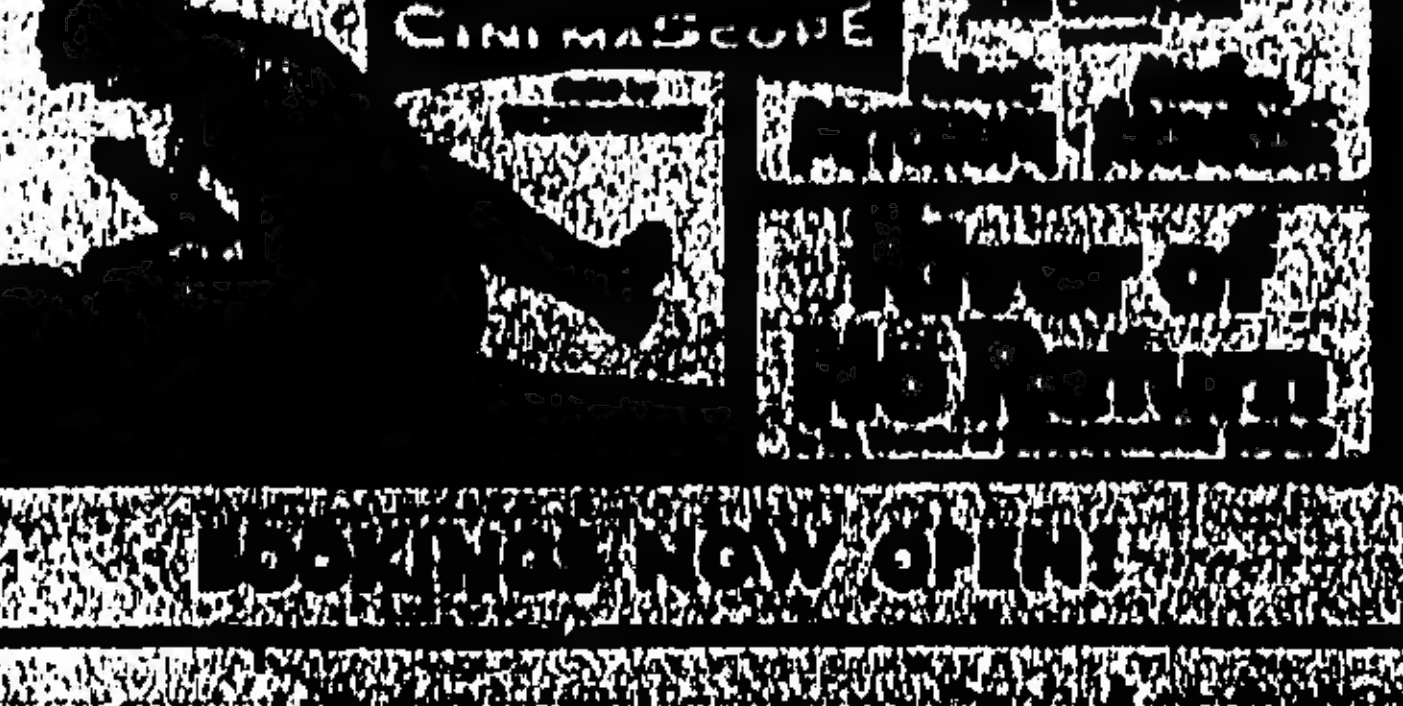
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He Came To In The Nick Of Time

Jodhpur, India, June 22.
An Indian farmer declared dead by a doctor came to life suddenly just as he was about to be put on the funeral pyre.
The farmer, Anupchand Kayasth, aged 55, had collapsed and by the time the doctor was called in, his pulse had stopped.
The funeral pyre was prepared, the body given its sacred bath and anointed with sandal paste and ash.
Then as the procession to the pyre was about to start, Kayasth's hands moved, his eyelids flickered and he sat up.—China Mail Special.

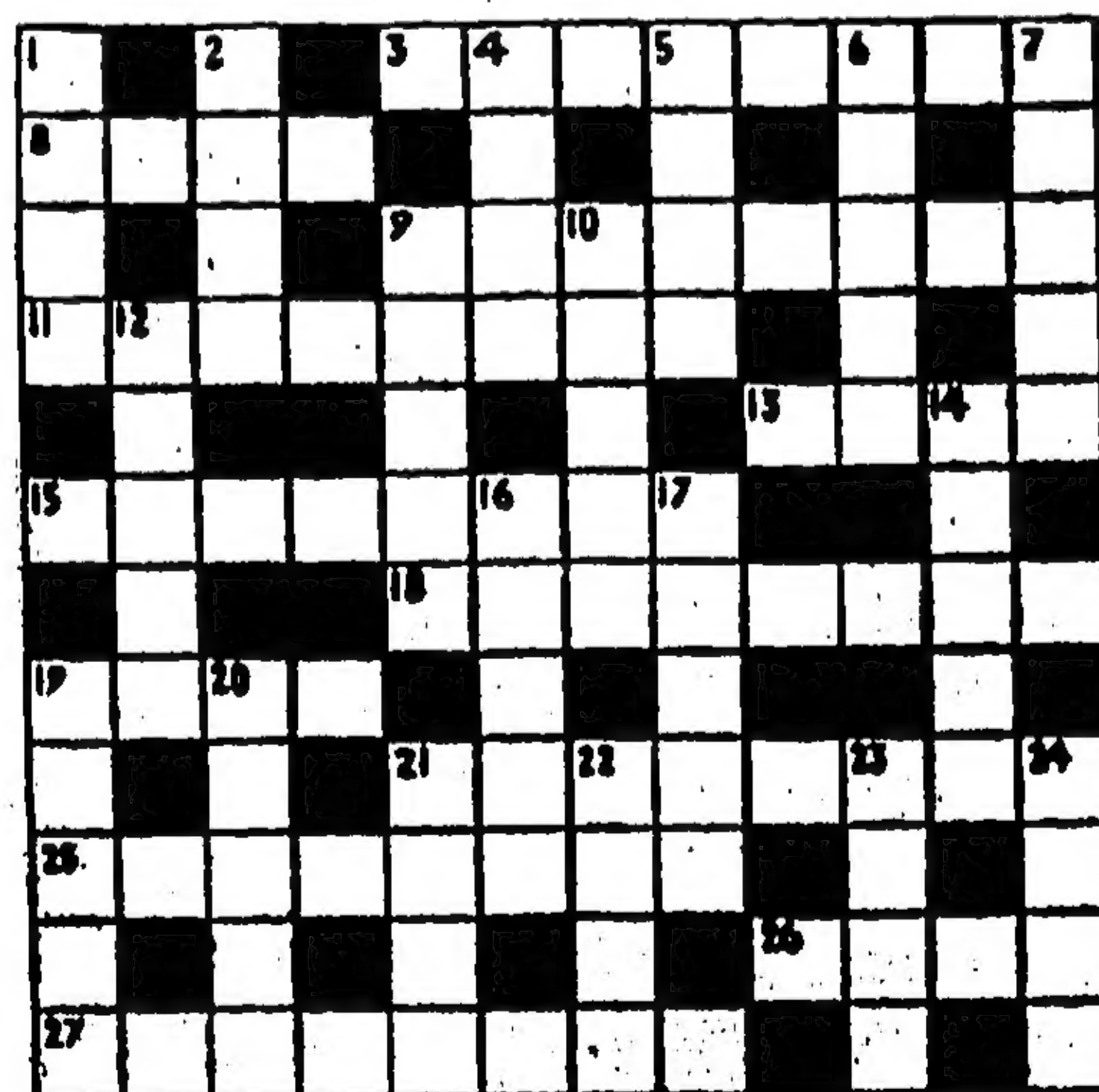
New Uses For Uranium Discovered

New York, June 22.
Two atomic scientists reported today that "satisfactory methods" have been developed for melting, casting and fabricating uranium.
They told the International Congress on nuclear engineering meeting at the University of Michigan that the radioactive metal has been found to machine reasonably well and can be welded and brazed.
H. A. Saller and F. A. Rough of the Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, reported on the processing of uranium, the key metal in nuclear reactor work.
"Considerable progress has been made during the past 10 years in processing uranium from its ore into metal," the engineers said. "But there is even more to be accomplished in the years ahead."
Saller and Rough pointed out that uranium is the only naturally-occurring fissionable material and is an essential part of any nuclear reactor. Thus, they said, the metallurgy of uranium is basic to the whole atomic energy programme.
"Satisfactory methods have now been developed for melting, casting and fabricating uranium so that any number of fabricated shapes are now available," they reported.
"Uranium has been found to machine reasonably well and it can be welded and brazed. Electroplating, roll cladding or jacketing may be used to apply protective coatings."

BEDELL SMITH TO REPORT

Washington, June 22.
President Dwight Eisenhower has summoned the leading members of both the congressional parties to hear a report tomorrow by the Deputy Secretary of State, Mr. Bevell Smith, on the progress of the Geneva conference.

A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- Stopped (8).
 - Harvest (4).
 - Care of the hands (8).
 - Bullfighter (8).
 - Wagers (4).
 - Made up (8).
 - Bought (8).
 - Advanced money (4).
 - Gave up (8).
 - Likens (8).
 - Saltate (4).
 - Forlorn (8).
- DOWN**
- Courage (4).
 - Brace (4).
 - Peruse (4).
 - Eastern ruler (4).
 - Armistice (5).
 - Lees (5).
 - Army tank (5).
 - Famed (5).
 - Seaside air (5).
 - Subject (5).
 - Cut apart (5).
 - Documents (5).
 - Clear (5).
 - Nominates (5).
 - Bar (4).
 - Tidy (4).
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YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 1. Chase, 4. Come, 7. Intimate, 8. Depot, 9. Billard, 11. Examine, 13. Centaur, 15. Talent, 16. Amend, 19. Unlikely, 20. Today, 21. Bonnet, Down: 1. Climb, 2. Sull, 3. Slender, 4. Credit, 5. Complete, 6. Abates, 10. Lingered, 13. Rattles, 14. Cravat, 15. Unduly, 16. Liken, 17. Try.

Geneva, June 22.

The month-old deadlock on the crucial question of international armistice control persisted in spite of a four-hour wrangle at the nine-nation Indo-China peace conference today.

Conference sources said today's meeting made no progress. It agreed provisionally to meet again on Thursday, but left the final decision to the conference's co-Chairmen, the Marquis of Reading (Britain) and Mr. V. V. Kouznetsov, Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, who is due back in Geneva from Moscow tomorrow.

They will meet on Thursday morning to discuss whether the conference should the same afternoon continue discussion of the armistice control problems or not.

Mr. Kouznetsov is returning after a two-day visit to Moscow for consultations.

All the delegates were understood to have recounted in detail today the previous stands they had taken on the armistice control question. At the end of the session, East and West was divided as sharply as ever.

The two salient points that emerged today were:

1. Russia's opposition to the French proposal for setting up a technical committee to examine the whole problem of armistice supervision, though China had last week favoured the establishment of such a committee. The Soviet delegate said that Mr. Anthony Eden, British Foreign Secretary, had said last week that the conference should continue and therefore there was no need to set up a committee.

2. Russia's insistence that an international armistice supervisory commission should have no troops at its disposal.

This Soviet stand, conference sources said, was based on the present status of the four-member Neutral Nations Supervisory Commission in Korea, which has no troops to assist it.

The general view on the Western side was that any progress on the armistice control problem during the coming weeks would be "painfully slow."—Reuter.

Those to attend are mainly members of the Foreign Affairs Committee, the Armed Forces Budgetary Committee, and the Far Eastern Affairs Subcommittee. Questions are expected to be put regarding the Administration's intentions in Southeast Asia.

The meeting is scheduled to begin at 10 o'clock at the White House, and is expected to last for several hours. The usual Wednesday White House press conference has been put off in anticipation of a heavy meeting.

The general feeling is that congressional representatives will express doubts as to the advisability of continued American participation in the Geneva Asian conference, and that some groups will take the view that France should be given a chance to sort out the question of an Indo-China war solution itself.

KOREA STATEMENT

Then will come the problem of whether the United States should associate itself with what may be considered an unacceptable solution, informed sources said.

Observers pointed to the loss of leadership which a policy of disassociation with an Indo-China truce would imply for the United States. They questioned whether such a truce could be properly guaranteed by America. This point is likely to come up in the meeting tomorrow, the same sources stressed.

Mr. Bedell Smith is expected to make a statement on Korea. Congressional circles admitted that the partition of that country was likely to be lasting, and an alternative solution difficult to find.

Certain congressional leaders are expected to urge economic and military aid for South Korea in order to speed up the reconstruction of the country.—France-Press.

US Tobacco Shares Fall

New York, June 22.
Tobacco shares on the New York Stock Exchange plunged today—some to their lowest levels so far this year—on new medical reports of a link between smoking and cancer and heart trouble.

American tobacco, the leading producer, dipped three dollars 50 cents (£1 5s.).

The latest evidence of the effects of smoking was published by the American Cancer Society yesterday.

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Deserted Church Used Again After 590 Years

London, June 22.

A service was held last night in the Norman Church at Dode, 6 miles south of Gravesend for the first time since 1364 when the village was wiped out by bubonic plague.

All that remains of a once thriving community—known in the 14th century as the vineyard of Kent—is the flint wall Church standing in fields remote from any road.
Last night the Roman Catholic Bishop of Southwark, the Right Reverend Cyril Cawston, renamed it "The Church of Our Lady of the Meadows." Its original patron saint is not known.
Hundreds of Roman Catholics from surrounding towns travelled to the Church to hear the Bishop celebrate mass.
As the tiny church holds less than 100 worshippers, relayed the service to those outside.
The Church, restored by a Gravesend Roman Catholic at the beginning of this century, will in future be a shrine and place of pilgrimage. This year it was handed over to the Church of the English Martyrs at Strood, near Gravesend.—China Mail Special.

"Grooming-up" For Adlai Stevenson



The former—and next Democratic Presidential Candidate—Adlai Stevenson is starting his new Senatorial campaign on behalf of his party, and as he wants to appear well-groomed, his first "whistle stop" was the barber's shop of the Terminal. The Democrats hope to regain their power in Congress this year and have started a full-scale campaign against the Republican Administration.—Express Photo.

The Navy Won The First V.C 100 Years Ago

London, June 22.

One hundred years ago today, in the first year of the Crimean war, Her Majesty's ship Hecla opened fire on a Russian shore battery in the Baltic Sea.

The Russians fired back. A live shell with hissing fuse skidded on to the Hecla's deck and came to rest. A 20-year-old Irish mate lunged toward it, picked it up and threw it overboard. It hit the water and exploded.

Pearl Harbour Plotter Gets Big Post

Tokyo, June 23.

The man who master-minded Japan's sneak attack on Pearl Harbour in 1942 was named deputy chief of staff today for the new Japanese self-defence air force.

He is Lt. General Tsuruyoshi Sanagi, former Navy captain and air strategist, who directed the Pearl Harbour operation.

Japan's first post-war air force, an outgrowth of the national safety force, will be inaugurated as part of Japan's self-defence force on July 1.

Their top military leaders, who played important roles in Japan's Pacific island warfare during World War II, were named to other operational jobs in the new defence force.

Major General Kamei Inoto was appointed to the business bureau of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He is a former Army colonel and served as secretary for executed wartime Prime Minister Hideki Tojo.

The appointments, made by the National Safety Agency, were approved by the Cabinet.—United Press.

From Russian Guns

Among the wearers of the Cross have been 329 from the Commonwealth outside the United Kingdom. The bronze cross, cast from Russian guns seized in the siege of Sebastopol, has been awarded regardless of race, colour, religion or rank since the first investiture parade before Queen Victoria in Hyde Park at the beginning of 1857.

It has been worn by men of all classes—a specialist in sawage, an expert on malaria, a poet, a news-vendor, a street sweeper and an officer of the Salvation Army. Among living persons, its wearers include clergymen, judges, magistrates and members of Parliament.
The youngest winner was a boy seaman, John Jeavers from Cornwall who was 16 years old when he stood by his gun, resulting orders in the battle of Rutland although he was mortally wounded and the rest of the crew lay dead.

Father and Son

There have been two cases of father and son winning the V. C. and four pairs of V. C. brothers.

Distribution of the 1,347 medals since 1857 has been: Britain—Army: 864; Navy and Marines: 118; Air Force: 31; Civilians: 41.

Australia: 87.
Indian Army: 111.
Canada: 79.
South Africa: 28.
New Zealand: 21.
Newfoundland: 1.
Fiji: 1.

King's African Rifles: 1.
United States: (unknown soldier of World War I).

Britain's highest award for heroism was suggested in a war correspondent's dispatch from the Crimean front to the London Times.

Royal warrants have changed the nature of the award to allow posthumous decorations.

Eighty-three of those in World War II were posthumous and 97 to heroes who survived.—China Mail Special.

Berlin: The Smugglers' Paradise

Berlin, June 22.

West Berlin Customs police are clamouring for small arms to fight more effectively the well-armed racketeers who have turned Berlin into a smugglers' paradise.

At present, the force of 1,800 men, mostly former regular soldiers, who guard the 165 kilometres (about 100 miles) long West Berlin border, have no arms.

Although they are equipped with radio cars and well-trained dogs to seek out the smugglers, they have only courage and the art of self-defence with which to fight cunning gangsters who have the terrain in their favour and, sometimes, support from the East German authorities.

A large part of the border runs through the heart of the city, the East-West sector boundary. It consists of hundreds of streets, back alleys and bombed sites which offer excellent cover for the smuggler.

"You cannot fight such men with smooth talk or documents in a city where smuggling is very profitable and political crimes of violence are an everyday affair," Herr Steinecke, Chief of the Customs Police said.

The smuggling is concentrated on cameras, field glasses, typewriters and precision instruments made in East Germany.

MARKS NEEDED

Herr Steinecke said these were often brought across to West Berlin with the connivance of the East German authorities, because they were easy to sell and brought the East Germany's exchequer Western marks badly needed to finance trade with West Germany as well as Communist propaganda activities.

But the professional smugglers have every inducement to carry on their activities, even without official East German help, for they can be sure in most cases of profits up to 300 per cent. Most of the goods can be sold in the West for the Western mark equivalent of the East mark price, though the Western mark is worth more than four times the East mark.

Coffee, highly taxed in the West, is one profitable smuggling line. According to Herr Steinecke, East German border police have been known to help smugglers to hoist sacks of coffee on to their shoulders.

The West Berlin Customs know several warehouses in East Berlin used by the smugglers as storage centres. Some years ago, the Customs authorities posted agents near the warehouses to raise the alarm when a consignment was on its way. Today, this is no longer possible because East-West telephone lines were cut nearly two years ago and the agents can now no longer hear.—China Mail Special.

report to West Berlin quickly enough.
The smugglers use special vests with pockets, each capable of holding 1 lb. of coffee. Some smugglers are known to have walked across the border 20 times in one day.

There is a great reserve of poverty-stricken people in Berlin, especially among the 200,000 unemployed in West Berlin and thousands of pensioners in the East, who will take these "walks" for a commission of two marks (about 3s. 4d.) a time.

LEADERS KNOWN

The leaders of the racket are now known, but it is suspected that they live in villas on both sides of the sector boundary.

There is another kind of smuggling in Berlin, which is regarded lightly by the West Berlin Customs, though not by the East German authorities. In this case, the smugglers are East German farmers and allotment holders trying to sell their produce in West Berlin at four times the price they would get for it in East Germany.

Individual amounts are small, but the total is thought to be enormous. Herr Steinecke estimated that about 100,000 eggs are brought across the border every day of the year. Asparagus, strawberries, tomatoes and other produce come over by the ton every day in hundreds of handbags and rucksacks.

The West Berlin Customs leave the "small fry" of these smugglers alone, but the East German state punishes them with up to five years imprisonment for "economic sabotage."—China Mail Special.

Sparrow Kills A Rat

Tortosa, Spain, June 22.
A sparrow killed a rat in a fight watched by a Tortosa street by a great crowd of people.
The rat was attacked when it jumped from a lorry loaded with rice. The bird swooped down on it and for five minutes they battled furiously until the rat fell dead. The sparrow flew away apparently unharmed.—China Mail Special.

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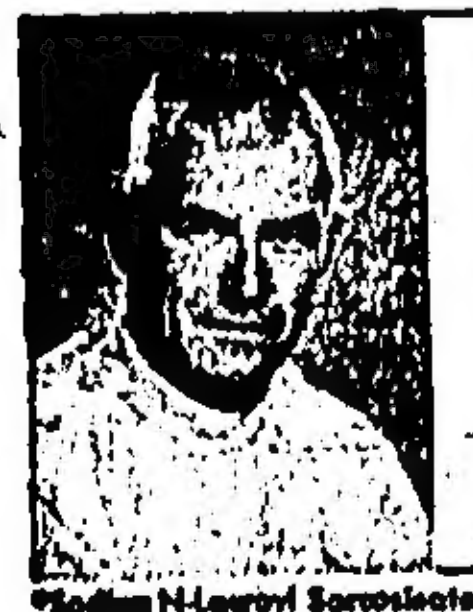
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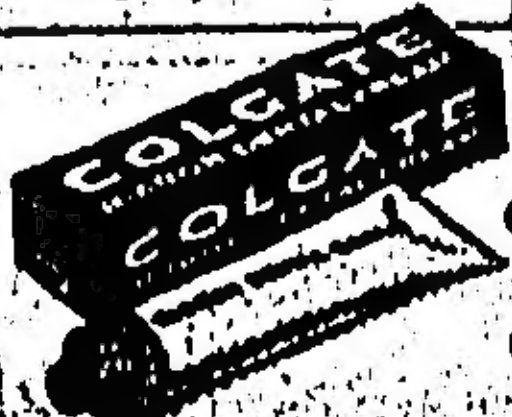
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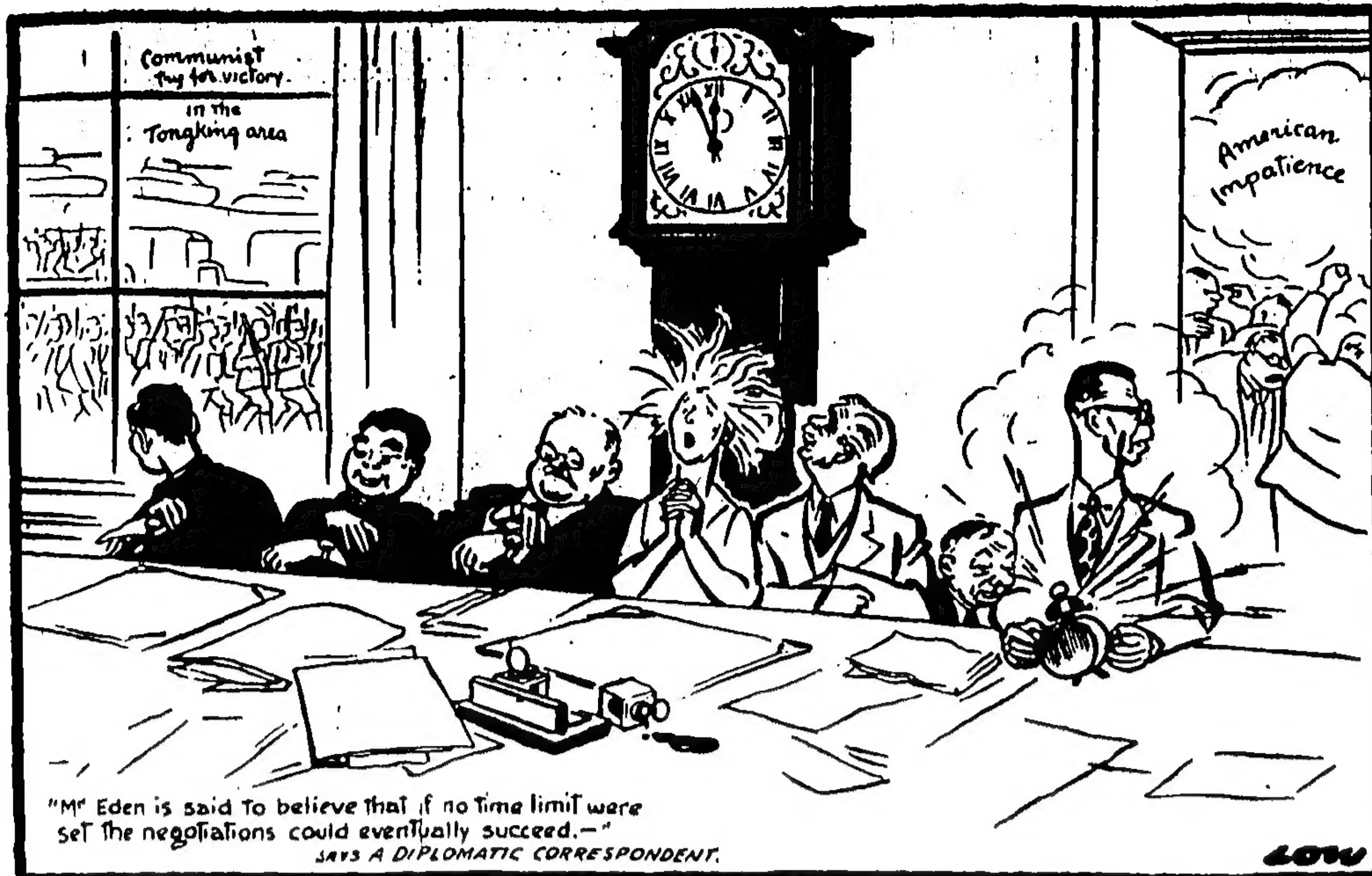
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NATHANIEL GUBBINS

SO far the Stock Exchange has not heard much of the activities of that other Cockney financier, London-born Nat Gubbins. This is because Gubbins has only just entered the arena where fortunes are won and lost, and shrewd chaps in the know can acquire tax-free money without working for it.

As Gubbins sincerely believes that work of any kind is the curse of Adam, and that only the devil himself denies us the paradise of complete idleness, he thought the gates of his kind of heaven might be opened in Throgmorton Street.

So he sought the advice of stockbrokers and was amazed at their eagerness to help, though not so amazed when he discovered for the first time what they charged for their services. Turned at the beginning to invest in anything that was not safe, he started with timid purchases of gilt-edged securities. As they didn't crash within a week, as he fully expected, his confidence grew. He tried a tiny gamble in what are called "industrial."

When he mentioned it as a gamble the stockbrokers were highly amused because their idea of a gamble is investing £100,000 in an unknown diamond mine. But to Gubbins they were a gamble because they were the kind of shares that go up and down in value according to the news and people's habits and tastes.

The day after Gubbins bought the shares an exciting thing happened. They increased in value by 3d. The next day they leaped by another 3d. to 6d. When they jumped a shilling Gubbins saw himself as a financial genius. He began to read City columns for the first time, not understanding a word he read. Perhaps he was cleverer than he thought? Perhaps he had the touch that makes a fortune overnight?

It was when the shares increased in value by 2s. 9d. that

his life partner, the Plucky Little Woman, had visions of a villa in Nassau. She thought of herself lying in the sunshine all next winter while Gubbins, now a great industrialist, sprawled like a half-cooked seal beside her, barking orders at a cowering secretary.

"What have I made this morning, Lickspittle?"

"Just under a million, sir."

"Why under a million, Lickspittle? I usually make over a million."

"I don't know, sir."

"Well, I do. It's because they're not working hard enough in my London office. Fire the lot, Lickspittle!"

"The lot, sir?"

"I said the lot, Lickspittle. Hurry, hurry, hurry. Bustle, bustle, bustle. And fire yourself for not hearing the first time."

The next day the shares dropped 1½d. Gubbins felt too sick with fright to eat breakfast. The day after they dropped 3d., then another 3d., and another, and the vision of Nassau faded.

At the time of writing they are back to their original price and Gubbins, the humbled financial wizard, reduced 3d. by 3d. to a nervous wreck, is thinking of selling them before they go any lower and buying National Savings Certificates.

Holiday Discussion

IN this merry month when there is usually snow on high ground and low ground and often down the back of your neck, when wild winds blow and migratory birds, shivering in the trees, earnestly tell each other that they will never come here again, Gubbins and the Plucky Little Woman discuss holidays.

The P.L.W. always wants to go abroad. Gubbins always wants to stay in England. The P.L.W. is adventurous; Gubbins is not. The P.L.W. loves travel; Gubbins hates it. The P.L.W.

is clever, or very lucky, with foreign money, always getting the right change (when lucky, more) and giving sensible tips. Gubbins, who can't count change in his own currency, is followed abroad by either meers or a stream of insults according to whether he has tipped for too much or innocently given nothing at all.

There is also the question of weather.

If the P.L.W. takes a separate holiday, the sun shines upon her. The wind veers from East to South. If she takes a holiday with Gubbins she travels under his private cloud which has followed him all over Britain, to France, Italy, round the Mediterranean and to the United States where he became known as The Rain Maker.

She would also have to endure his East Wind, which pursues him like a living enemy, like a guided missile with his name and address on it, determined to find him wherever he may be.

In The Sea Nest, which fortunately always and rocks in the wind without falling down, like the Empire State Building in New York, the easterly gale forces its way through windows and walls and gets him while he is in bed, playing havoc with his insatiable making him more irritable than usual.

There is also the question of time.

The impulsive P.L.W., who hates to wait for anything, likes her holidays in May. She likes the spring flowers, the song of mating birds, and the seaside places before the terrible tourists swarm over them.

But May is the month when Gubbins is hit by gout. On any morning in May (usually his birthday) his big toe swells suddenly to twice its normal size and he spends most of his holiday groaning in bed and cursing anybody who moves.

June? In June Gubbins is free of gout, but the P.L.W. is hit by hay fever. A holiday in June means that the P.L.W. will spend it hot, unhappy and red-eyed and sneezing non-stop behind a handkerchief.

As neither of us likes holidays in July, August, and September, because in these months the terrible tourists are swarming in earnest with their screaming children and yapping dogs, only the autumn and winter remain.

The P.L.W., prepared to wait for once, said she would settle for an autumn or winter cruise. But when Gubbins, after studying world events, said there might not be an autumn or winter for anybody, she thought May might do whether Gubbins had gout or not.

Vot Diss Iss?

TWO items of news, "Germany with first-class native cooking is rapidly becoming the culinary rival of France on the Continent" and "Many foreign chefs and their wives visit England to study English cooking to be ready for insular tourists," make you wonder about the reactions of Herr Hans Schmidt (chef) and Frau Schmidt if they were reading a recipe for Eggs-Hamburger published in an evening newspaper last week.

Two ounces of der dripping der first ingredient vos.

Pliss, Hans, but vot der dripping iss?

Der dripping der grease from der meat vos. You must der der four ounces of der porridge take.

BRITAIN'S NEW DESERT ISLAND RESIDENCY

From KENNETH MACAULAY

Bahrain, Persian Gulf. ON a desert island set in the hot, shallow waters of the Persian Gulf, Britain is building a \$500,000 headquarters from which to administer 1,000 miles of equally desert coastline.

The island, 34 miles long and ten miles wide, is still raided by pirates, and its coastal waters fished by Arab divers for pearls.

The headquarters site at Jafair, facing the sea, on the most northeasterly point of Bahrain, is superb. And successful attempts are being made to grow palms to give shade, and shrubs to give green relief, to the sun's steely glare.

The only "cool" breeze in this blistering climate, which can rise from 112 to 125 degrees in the shade in a couple of hours, comes from the north—and Jafair gets it first.

The principal building is the home of the Political Resident, Mr. B. A. B. Burrows.

Box-Shaped

This Residency consists of two single-storey, box-shaped buildings, roofed with corrugated asbestos, but with no architectural decoration. Between them is a flat-roofed bungalow structure containing the principal drawing room and dining room. Certainly, the buildings are not imposing.

Other houses, still under construction, are built in similar style, but with only one "box" attached to the main bungalow.

The interior of the Residency, however, is furnished with fine English carpets of modern design near-

ly covering the patterned parquet floors. The electrical fittings are modernistic. Rich thick curtains cover the windows to keep the heat out, and keep in the chilled air from the central air conditioning plant.

The whole effect inside is worthy of an ambassador's residence. And Mr. Burrows has the rank. If not the title, of an ambassador. He is responsible for the external affairs of one Sultan, an uncountable number of sheikhs and 900,000 people. These include 18,000 Britons, Americans, Pakistanis and Indians, most of whom are employed in the world's largest single oilfield in Kuwait and in the lesser field in Bahrain Island.

His Staff

Also, the Political Resident's title is a relic of the days of the British Raj in India—has an ambassador—size staff. Under him are First, Second and Third Secretaries, economic and financial advisers, a military officer and a medical officer. He has twelve British typists and clerical staff as well as locally-recruited drivers, messengers and guards.

On the "non-diplomatic" side there is a Political Agent, corresponding in rank with a consul-general. Three other Britons complete the consular staff, with offices in a large white two-storey building in the heart of Bahrain Town.

Four other Political Agents maintain satellite establishments in Kuwait, Qatar, the Trucial States and in the Sultanate of Muscat.

Besides the Jafair Residency, the new compound, when completed, will comprise two smaller houses, a block of flats for the staff and office buildings. There is a power house in case the town electricity supply should fail, as well as the air conditioner which will supply the compound by underground pipes from a central source.

The Resident's former headquarters in Bahrain were taken over from the Royal Navy when Bushire, Persia, was abandoned in 1946 as British H. Q. on the Gulf.

But, even then, the building was almost a ruin. Once the dining room ceiling fell down a moment after the former Political Agent rose from breakfast.

OLD MASTER MARX treats ALL CHILDREN (cigar-smokers and non-smokers) to a poker-face piece

GROUCHO'S Bed-time Story

"TELL ME, Groucho," said Reporter DAVID LEWIN to the Prince of the Poker Face, the Doyen of the Deadpan—"tell me, what sort of bedtime stories do you tell

your little girl Melinda?" GROUCHO MARX, now sampling London's weather for the first time in 25 years, pondered; and told GROUCHO'S BEDTIME STORY. Here it is...

ONCE upon a time in New York there was a little boy called Tommy. Now, Tommy's parents were very poor. They were so poor they often had nothing to eat. One day they were all very hungry and Tommy decided he would go out and try to find something to eat. He went into the streets of New York, hoping that something would happen to bring him luck. Then he saw a little girl crossing the road, and there was a car coming straight at her. Tommy made up his mind in a flash and dashed into the road to save the little girl.

He took her to the pavement and the little girl's nurse said: "You have saved her life. Her father will be very grateful. He is also very rich. You had better come home with us because he will want to reward you." So Tommy went home with the little girl and her nurse. The nurse told the father what had happened and the father was very grateful indeed. Tommy, he said, "I shall reward you. I shall



give you THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS." "Oh, thank you!" said Tommy. "Now I can go and buy food for my mummy and daddy." "What?" asked the rich father. "Very hungry," said Tommy. "And so am I." So the father ordered his butler to bring in cakes and a glass of milk for Tommy. Tommy ate all the cakes and drank the full glass of

milk. He felt much better. Then he started to go home and the rich man said: "Here is your reward. Tommy, TWO THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS." The rich man had reconsidered. That was the end of the story. Lewin said to Groucho: "And how old is Melinda who hears that as a bedtime story?" "Eight," said Groucho. "She has to and eat these things sometimes!"

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Finesse Is Smart Bridge Manoeuvre

By OSWALD JACOBY

"IS it proper to finesse for the queen when you hold nine trumps in the combined hands?" asks a Chicago correspondent. "In the accompanying hand I followed the old rule of not finessing, and came a cropper."

"West cashed his two top clubs and then led the jack of clubs. East discarded a low diamond, and I ruffed. I led the ace of spades, thought for a while, and then tried the king of spades. The queen didn't drop, and I was in trouble."

"There was still a chance for the contract, of course, but it didn't work. I cashed dummy's top hearts, discarding one diamond, and then put East in with a trump. He had to return a diamond, and I let it ride in the hope that he was leading from the king. West had the king, however, and I was set."

"Everyone pointed out, later on, that I could have made the hand by finessing for the queen of spades. Nobody could give

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♣ 10 4	
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♦ A 8 7	
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Both sides vul	
South	West
1 ♠	2 ♥
2 ♠	3 ♠
4 ♠	Pass
Pass	Pass
Opening lead—♠ K	

me any good reason for doing so. Is there such a reason, if you don't happen to see the cards held by the opponents?"

Yes, South should finesse for the queen of spades even though he cannot see the cards held by the opponents. If the finesse succeeds, the rest is easy. Even if the finesse should lose, however, South still makes his game contract.

Suppose, for example, that South ruffs the third club, takes the ace of spades, gets to dummy with the ace of hearts and tries the spade finesse. Even if the finesse should lose, West can do nothing better than to return a heart. Declarer takes the king and queen of hearts, ruffs a heart, and can get back to dummy with the ten of spades to cash the last heart.

This is the vital point. If the trump finesse should lose, the ten of spades will become an additional entry to dummy. With that additional entry, it becomes easy to bring in enough heart tricks for the contract.

CARD SENSE

Q—With both sides vulnerable, the bidding has been:

South West North East

1 Diamond 1 Spade 2 Clubs Pass

You, South, hold: Spade 9, Hearts A-9-3, Diamonds A-K-Q-3-2, Clubs Q-8-5-2. What do you do?

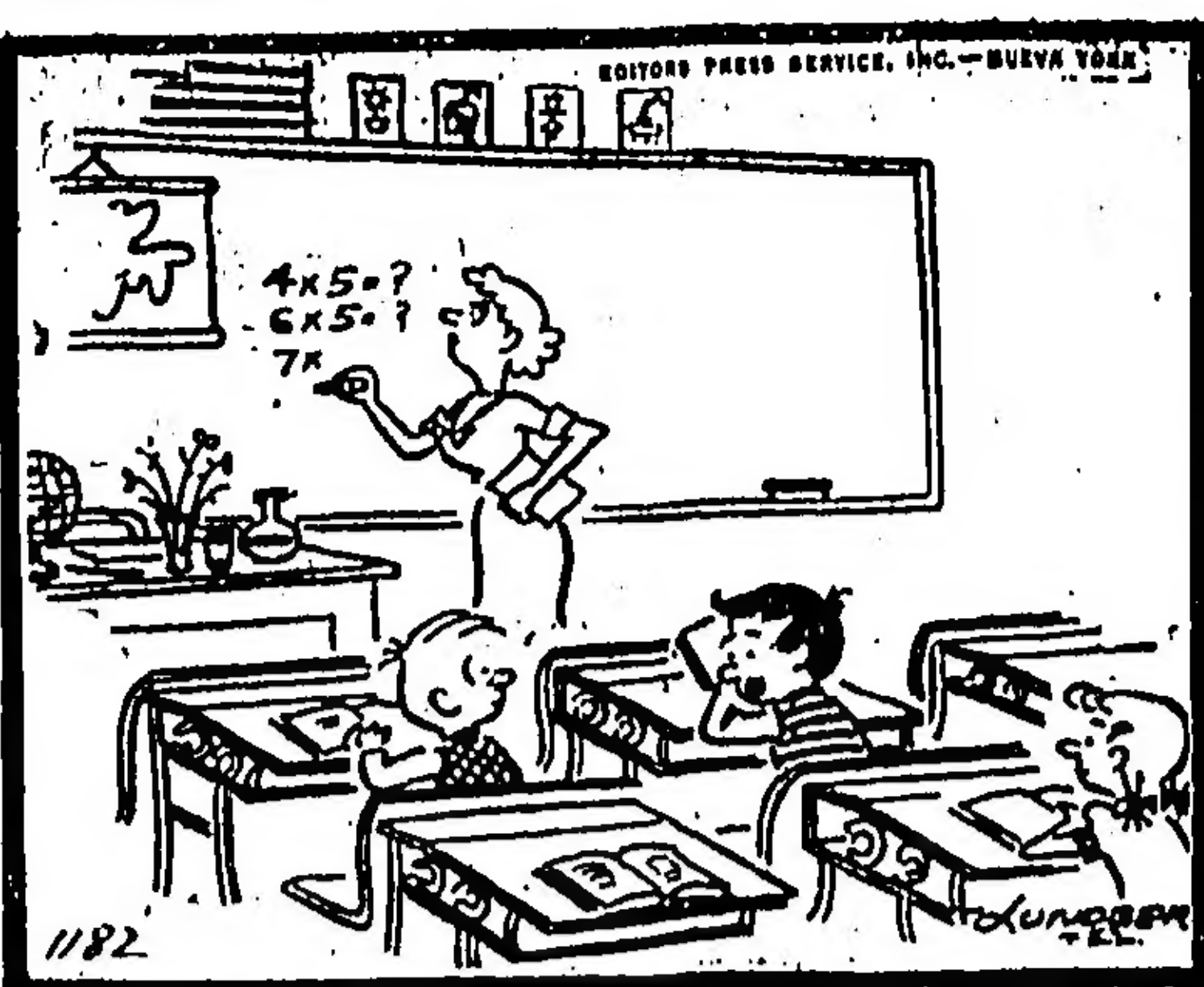
A—Bid four clubs. In support of clubs you have a count of 15 points in high cards, 1 point extra for the queen of partner's bid suit, and 2 points for the singleton. The response of two clubs shows at least 10 points, so that the combined count should be enough for game. The jump raise in clubs is the best way to show that your strength is partly distributional.

TODAY'S QUESTION

The bidding is the same as in the question just answered. You, South, hold: Spades None, Hearts A-9-3, Diamonds A-K-Q-3-2, Clubs Q-8-5-2. What do you do?

Answer Tomorrow

DUMB-BELLS



"It's not the atomic theory that bothers me—it's adding and subtracting."

YOUR BIRTHDAY

By STELLA

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 23

BORN today, you possess an abundance of talents but, in addition, you have a keen love of pleasure and want a comfortable living. You will have to learn to buckle down to real hard work if you are to achieve the success to which you are entitled by reason of your abilities. Once you have learned the lesson of concentration to one objective, nothing can deter you from reaching your ultimate goal. Unhappily, there seems to be no middle path for you: either you will reach exceptional fame or your failure will be equally dismal.

By nature you are affectionate, demonstrative and home-loving. Attractive to members of the opposite sex, you probably will have more than one opportunity to wed. Your choice of a marriage partner

may have a great deal to do with your ultimate role in life. Unless you are contented emotionally, you find it difficult to do your best work. You women will find your happiest sphere in that of being a wife and mother. You will add to the centre of all activities. You make excellent wives for ambitious men—you know all the right answers.

Among those who were born on this date are: Irwin S. Cobb, humorist; Thomas, composer; John Jay, statesman; Henry P. Gray, artist; the Duke of Windsor.

To find what the stars have in store for you tomorrow, select your birthday star and read the corresponding paragraph. Let your birthday star be your daily guide.

THURSDAY, JUNE 24

CANCER (June 22-July 23)—Don't permit yourself to be "high-pressure" into doing or saying something you will later regret.

LEO (July 21-Aug. 23)—To-day's events can have an important effect on your future. Be careful that you direct them as you wish.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 23)—A good time to see if your earning capacity is at high pitch. If not, do something about it now.

LIBRA (Sept. 21-Oct. 23)—A cheerful smile and a pleasant personality will go a long way for day toward helping you to get what you want.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 22)—Make it a point to see that you achieve the proper financial arrangement on some new project.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 22)—A project at a distance may look

almost too good to be true. Maybe it is! Check carefully.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23-Jan. 20)—Find something good to talk about, rather than to watch criticism. Be co-operative, as well.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21-Feb. 19)—Handle matters diplomatically and you will find that everything you want is coming your way just now.

PISCES (Feb. 20-Mar. 20)—Be efficient on the job and you will discover it pays excellent dividends. Maybe a bonus.

ARIES (Mar. 21-Apr. 20)—Take a general look about at the future so that you can make constructive plans for it. Act today.

TAURUS (Apr. 21-May 20)—Be neighbourly and you will find that it really pays. Friends are truly fine things to have.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)—Aspects are excellent for you just now. Business opportunities should be opening for you, too.

BY THE WAY

By Beachcomber

A LADY, on leaving her house in Wilton Crescent, found a large basket on the doorstep. In the basket lay a man in tweeds and a dogsnatcher hat.

"What are you doing here?" she asked. "My parents," replied Foulmouthe, "With a cynicism beyond belief, abandoned me in infancy. Take me in, mummy, if you have a shred of human compassion or decency in your make-up—and make-up, judging from your face, seems to be the word to use. Will you not shelter a beastly orphan?" "Unless you go at once," replied the lady, "I shall call the police." "Make it the women police," said the Captain, with a leer, "and while we're waiting, you can have this basket for 15 bob." The lady made a gesture of refusal and contempt. "Eight and six, then," wheedled the red-faced orphan. There was no reply. "O.K., flinty-heart," said Foulmouthe, and he went away with his basket, in search of a more hospitable doorstep.

Developing a theme

DEAR SIR, The correspondence about knock-kneed people on horses recalled to me an old friend of my father's. He was a giant, and so amazingly bow-legged that he could ride an elephant like a horse. It occurs to me that if a knock-kneed man got stuck on an elephant's back, which is, of course, impossible, owing to the breadth of the back, it would be a frightful job to hold the beast upside down and shake him off like a ripe fruit. It would be like getting stuck between the two humps of a dromedary, only worse. A baby elephant is the thing for those with odd legs to ride.

Yours obediently,
Melrose E. Travency.

In passing

A PICTURE of a newly married couple, in their wedding clothes, balancing themselves on a tightrope 60 feet above the ground gives point to the theory that the first few minutes are the dangerous period for marriages today. No doubt community of interest helps. In fact, it is almost essential in the case of tightrope walking. I knew a man who walked along a tightrope with his grandmother on his back. He gave her a Japanese shade to balance herself with, and this made her laugh so heartily that the pair of them fell off and were stunned.

WOMANSENSE

STRIPES FOR THE SEA



STRIPES ARE STARRED for holiday playsets. This stripes sun-bathing suit is made all in one piece with the shorts in say striped canvas. The dashing apron panel has big kangaroo pouch pockets to hold sun glasses and sun cream; it slips right up the back. The enormous hoop earrings are made of bamboo cane, and mules and bucket beach bag are of straw; so is the beach mat, ideal for keeping sand out of your hair.

—London Express Service.

HOUSEHOLD HINTS

Cook eggs at simmering forming between the white and rather than a rolling boil temperature to prevent a dark ring the yolk.

To keep hot fat from spattering, sift a few pinches of flour into the frying pan.

Prepare A Baked Ham This Way—

By Alice Denhoff

EVEN when it isn't gracing the Easter dinner table, there's something very festive about baked ham, with a golden glaze. Done with a simple fruit garnish, it adds up to the perfect summertime dinner.

Easy to fix, too, since it is possible to choose the ham best suited to the family needs and tastes. There are on the market uncooked hams, ready-to-eat hams, hams which are completely cooked and only require heating through, and tinned hams.

The ham should be decked out for eye appeal. For a most attractive appearance it should be scored and glazed. Even for beginner cooks, it's easy to do.

Remove ham from the oven 1/2 hr. before the end of cooking or heating time. Score the fat by cutting shallow gashes in criss-cross pattern.

For the glaze, measure 1/4 c. firmly packed brown sugar, and moisten slightly with pineapple or orange juice. Add some ground cloves and perhaps a little grated orange rind. Spread over the fat and pin on a simple orange and pineapple flower garnish, made by centering the ham with an orange slice stuck with whole cloves. Fasten this on with half toothpicks, centre with a maraschino cherry and surround with pineapple tidbits.

Return ham to oven at 325° F. to glaze.

RUBY-RED SAUCE

If you like to serve a sauce with the ham, you might try a delightful red cherry sauce in-

stead of the usual raisin one. It's perfect for a festive dinner and good, too, when the ham turns up late in the week as leftover dish. Just heat the sliced ham in the sauce, that's all.

Drain juice from 1 tin sour red cherries into a saucepan. Combine 1/4 c. sugar, 2 tbsp. cornstarch, 1/4 tsp. cinnamon and add to juice. Cook until thickened, stirring constantly. Add the cherries and 1/2 lemon thinly sliced. Simmer for 15 min., remove lemon and serve hot.

ECONOMICAL DISH

The very last of the ham is utilised when ground. It makes a delicious dinner dish when combined with sweet potato and pineapple into patties.

For 4 servings, combine 3 c. coarsely ground ham with 1 lightly beaten egg, a 9 oz. tin pineapple, well drained, 1/4 tsp. salt, 1/4 tsp. each nutmeg and cinnamon, 2 c. mashed sweet potatoes.

Shape into 12 patties. Dip in 1/4 c. crushed cornflakes and fry in 1/4 c. hot lard or drippings until patties are well browned on both sides.

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BOYS' AND GIRLS' MAGAZINE

How a Pixie Helps the Birds

—He Is Nailing All the Branches Together—

By MAX TRELL

KNARF and Hanid, the shadow-children with the turned-about names, were walking under the big elm tree that grew at the side of the road when suddenly someone shouted from high up in the tree: "Watch out below!"

Knarf and Hanid barely had time to spring aside before a large hammer and several nails came tumbling down.

A High Apology

"Sorry!" said the voice up in the tree again. "Did you get hit?"

Knarf and Hanid recognised the voice of Pixie O'Scowl.

"You shouldn't be so careless, Pixie O'Scowl!" Hanid shouted up.

"What are you doing up there anyway?" Knarf asked.

"Come up and see for yourself," Pixie O'Scowl said, "and bring my hammer and those nails with you when you come!"

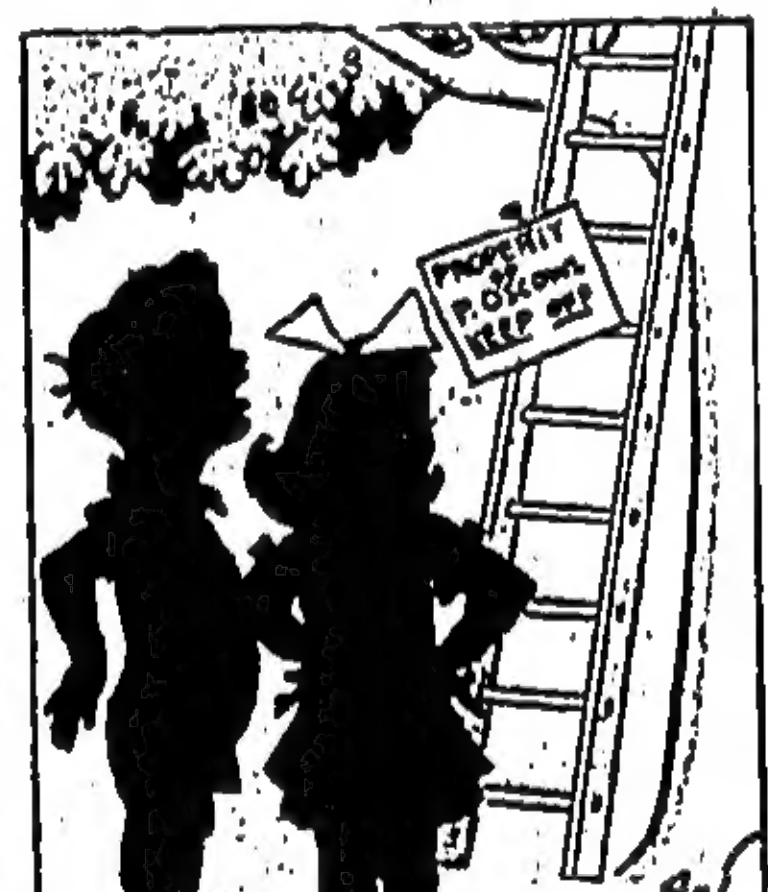
Around the other side of the trunk Knarf and Hanid found a tall ladder.

On the ladder was a big sign reading "Property of P. O'Scowl—Keep Off."

Paying no attention to the sign, Knarf and Hanid climbed up the ladder at once. They soon found themselves near the top of the tree. Here, half-hidden by the leafy branches was Pixie O'Scowl dressed in his work clothes. He seemed to be nailing several branches together.

"Here, let me have my hammer," said Pixie O'Scowl rudely.

But Hanid refused to give the Pixie his hammer until he told them what he was building up in the tree.



The Shadows saw a sign at the bottom of Pixie's ladder.

"It's nothing that would interest you," said Pixie O'Scowl. "Let me have that hammer!"

"Oh, no," said Hanid. "You haven't explained anything yet. Why are you nailing the branches together?"

"Cause the birds are complaining," said Pixie O'Scowl. "Now give me that hammer!"

"That's not enough! Why are the birds complaining?"

"Because they say the branches whip around in the wind and make their nests fall down."

"Oh," said Knarf. "So you're nailing the branches together to make them stronger?"

"That's the idea," said Pixie O'Scowl. "I want my hammer!"

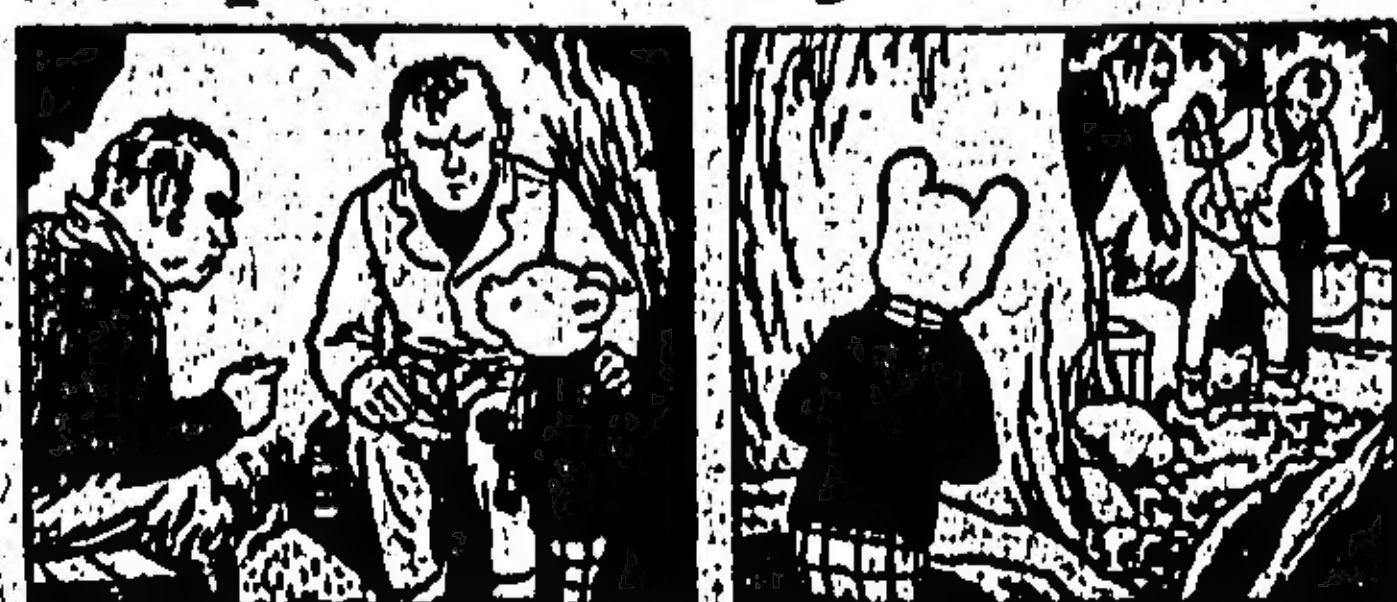
"But," said Hanid, still not giving him his hammer, "if you nail the branches together in this tree, the birds in all the other trees will also want the branches in their trees nailed together."

"That's right," said Pixie O'Scowl. "That's the reason I want that hammer back! I have enough work to keep me busy for a year of Sundays. Please give me my hammer back!"

Hanid finally gave Pixie O'Scowl his hammer back. "I don't really think you ought to nail branches together for the birds," she told the Pixie. "You'll never get through working. It isn't fair."

"There's nothing I can do about it," Pixie O'Scowl said. "Birds are pretty foolish to live in trees anyway. Why don't

Rupert and Billy Goat—18



The two men seem very friendly and they begin to question Rupert, saying, 'Oh, dear, didn't know the old privy, says the little boy. I was only practicing climbing and your rope ladder looked so lovely. I was just about to go down it when I saw you two men standing there.'

A new story

Rupert and the Wild Goose Chase

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HARRY HOPMAN CALLS IP AND TSAI A "FINE DOUBLES PAIR"

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

London, June 22.

What a fine doubles pair are Ip and Tsai! Who says so? None other than "Mr Tennis" himself, Australia's Harry Hopman.

Hopman knows what he is talking about. As Australia's tennis boss he has put his country on the top of the tennis world — four successive Davis Cup victories are the result of his leadership.

Ladies' Day At Wimbledon

Wimbledon, June 22.

Summer dresses were more in evidence for "Ladies Day" at Wimbledon today.

Among the newcomers to Wimbledon was Miss Sachiko Kamo, the Japanese champion, who beat Mrs. H. Strecker of Austria, 6-3, 7-5.

Although guilty of overhitting on many occasions, Miss Kamo was never in any real danger. Wearing a white jockey cap, she soon established herself as a favourite with the crowd, and she produced some delightful shots, particularly to her opponent's backhand, which drew generous applause.

Miss Kamo's general court craft was superior and she hit with far greater power than Mrs. Strecker. It was mostly baseline play with Miss Kamo holding control and killing every lob which Mrs. Strecker sent up.

The overwhelming supremacy of the United States women players was emphasised today when, in little more than half an hour, their top four had swept aside three Britons and a South African.

In the second round matches, Miss Maureen Connolly, winner for the past two years, beat South Africa's Joan Scott 6-0, 6-3. Miss Doris Hart, former winner and twice runner-up, beat Miss Georgie Woodgate 6-1, 6-1, and Mrs. Margaret Du Pont, winner in 1947, beat Miss V. S. White 6-1 and 6-0. They all received byes in the first round.

Miss Louise Brough, three times winner of the title, beat Mrs. D. W. Golia 6-1 and 6-1 in a first round match.

Another new personality was Melita Ramirez of Mexico, who beat Miss E. Ruffe (Australia) 6-2 and 6-0 in the first round.

All the seeded players got through safely. Miss Shirley Fry, another of the formidable American contingent, beat Mrs. L. Alviesen, Switzerland, 6-4 and 6-4, and Miss Angela Mortimer (Britain) beat Mrs. R. W. Tane (Britain) 6-0, 6-1 in the first round matches.

Britain's other seeded player, Miss Helen Fletcher, had a terrific tussle before winning 6-3, 5-7 and 6-3 from her second game against Mrs. Hanna Sladek, the Canadian champion. Mrs. Sladek, 25, a self-exiled Czech, saved three match points before going down. Mrs. Sladek, and her husband, now a Montreal shipping clerk, escaped to Canada from Czechoslovakia via the Russian zone of Germany when her husband, a member of the anti-Communist resistance, was warned of impending arrest.

OTHER RESULTS

Other results of the women's singles were:

First Round
Miss A. Shillecock (Britain) beat Miss A. Bilse (South Africa) 7-5, 6-3.

Miss E. Lehmann (Argentina) beat Mrs. A. Coessens (Belgium) 6-2, 6-3.

Mrs. Dorothy Levine (U.S.) beat Mr. R. B. Wilson (Britain) 6-4, 6-0.

Mrs. B. Lewis (U.S.) beat Mrs. J. Quelch (Britain) 6-1, 6-3.

Mrs. N. Migulori (Italy) beat Mrs. H. Praczkowski (Japan) 6-4, 6-0.

Miss M. Ramirez (Mexico) beat Miss E. Ruffin (Australia) 6-2, 6-0.

Miss A. Mortimer (Britain) beat Mrs. R. Stone (Britain) 6-0, 6-1.

Miss J. Robson (New Zealand) beat Mrs. J. Helman (U.S.) 6-0, 6-0.

Mrs. B. Pratt (U.S.) beat Mrs. J. de Riba (Spain) 6-1, 6-2.

Mrs. N. Adamson (France) beat Miss G. Rhodes (Britain) 6-1, 6-1.

Miss P. Curry (Britain) beat Miss E. Atwood (New Zealand) 6-3 and 6-2.

Miss G. Hoehling (Britain) beat S. Lazzarino (Italy) 6-1 and 6-1.

Miss P. Ward (Britain) beat Mrs. C. Moeller (Britain) 6-1 and 6-1.

Mrs. J. Kornina (France) beat Mrs. J. Vogler (Germany) 6-4 and 6-1.

Second Round
Miss Pat Harrison (Britain) beat Miss Mary Morris (U.S.) 6-2, 6-2.

Mrs. J. Ross (Netherlands) beat Mrs. Thelma Lister (Britain) 6-3, 6-3.

Mrs. Betty Rosenquest Pratt (U.S.) beat Miss Josefa de Riba (Spain) 6-1, 6-2.

Mrs. Nellie Adamson (France) beat Mrs. J. Kornina (France) 6-4 and 6-1.

He was also the man behind the sensational rise of those two great youngsters, Lew Hoad and Ken Rosewall.

Hopman spoke those words to me this afternoon. They came from the heart. Partnered by Belgium's Geelhand, he had just been beaten 6-2, 6-4, 7-5 by the Hongkong pair.

No longer in their tennis prime, Hopman and Geelhand are yet a formidable partnership. Both have a wide variety of shots. This afternoon they used every one of these shots.

Ip and Tsai, however, playing power tennis, were not to be denied. They smashed their way to victory in a game packed with thrills and good tennis.

Only once did they falter. In the third set, Ip dropped his service to allow Hopman and Geelhand to take a 4-2 lead.

But the Hongkong pair came back immediately. They broke through Geelhand's service and, holding their own, took the set 7-5.

What impressed Hopman about Ip's and Tsai's play was their return of the service. "They send the ball back so hard that there's not much advantage in having the service against them."

"LUCK OF THE DRAW"
He said that such is the luck of the draw that, having disposed of Hopman and his partner, Ip and Tsai go on to meet his two great proteges, Hoad and Rosewall, in the next round. The Australians are the reigning Doubles Champions.

"We couldn't have a tougher game but we are looking forward to it," said Ip.

They can take heart from Hopman's final words to me. "They will give the champions a good run for their money," he said.

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As the score suggests, the match was a walkover for Miss Hoehling. Her well placed drives frequently had the Italian floundering.

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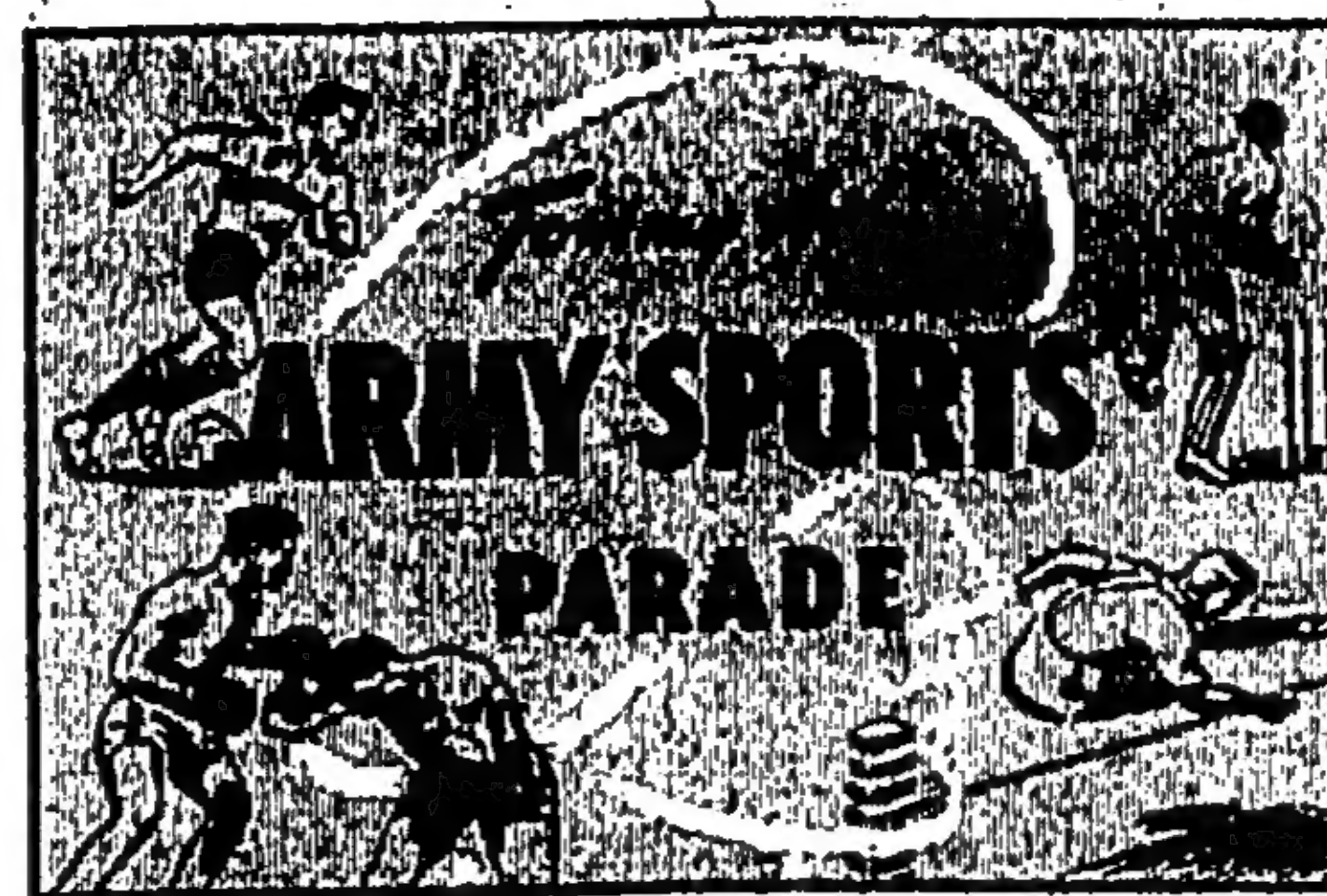
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The allocation of the spot of honour at the top of the Sports Parade this week set me a real poser. For the very first time since the column was started a lady fills the top spot and I have been searching far and wide for someone who can tell me the female equivalent of "Tommy Atkins".

However in spite of all my searching I did not find the answer but that does not prevent us welcoming Miss Calverley of the WRAC to lead our parade. This young lady has already received a lot of publicity for turning out for "Signals" in the HQF 6-a-side hockey match against A/Q Branch.

To those folks who have never seen one of these tough, hard-nosed encounters, Miss Calverley's deed may mean very little, but those who have seen it at or better still, played in it, will have a full appreciation of her sporting action.

Well done, young lady, but maybe after all the trouble you have caused me you will be good enough to suggest a suitable female equivalent for "Tommy Atkins". In fact I'd like to hear from anyone who has a good idea on the subject.

NEWS OF THE TIME

Calling aspiring football referees. Names are wanted NOW for the courses which are to be run to prepare young—and maybe not so young—hopefuls for the job of officiating in next season's soccer matches.

The plan is to get the classes going as soon as possible and to hold the examinations in September so that the newcomers will be able to start next season as qualified officials.

The message I have received from the appropriate authority is "There's no time like the present... get your name submitted now to the SOFT at HQF."

The suggestion put forward by Major A.C.A. Walker at the recent meeting of the Hongkong Amateur Athletic Association that the Colony Championships should be the final event of the athletics season has been well received by athletes in the Army.

It seems to be the general opinion that the old arrangement tended to make it difficult for an athlete to plan his season as to be at his peak for the Championships. With the Colony titles now listed for competition at the concluding meeting of the season there should be no cause for complaint from those who train to a well planned schedule.

BURST OF ENTHUSIASM
The tremendous success which has attended the tour of the British Army football team in Germany has prompted many football fans in the U.K. to suggest that the eventual "salvation" — to use the term applied to the situation by one home writer — of British football may well be along the lines employed by the Army.

The sudden burst of enthusiasm on the subject has arisen because during their tour the Army players have been meeting and easily defeating sides which have previously defeated, just as easily, touring League sides.

You may recall that some months ago in this column I reported that a prominent English manager had suggested that young professional players should be given expert coaching during their National service in the same way as other men are given assistance, the better to keep themselves fit for their return to civilian life.

It seemed for a time that this suggestion was not going to be pushed, but from recent comment in various sections of the British press it would seem many people have renewed their interest in the idea.

The success of the Army side has been quite astonishing when one remembers the ages of the players. But with the desperation of winning points removed from their play they have developed along more natural lines and as a consequence they have acquired a polish that is absent from the play of many League teams.

Eight members of the present side are qualified to play for England, with two Welshmen and a Scot making up the side. It has already been suggested that England should keep the present eight together as the nucleus of a new national team.

Each public discussion is all for the good of Army soccer and, provided the authorities at home can be encouraged to post a fair number of these young professionals overseas to areas where they can be sure of getting plenty of competitive football, then Army and civilian football should benefit accordingly.

An important item of news for swimmers has just been received. According to the latest information from FARELF arrangements are going ahead for the holding of the Command Championships at Singapore, starting on September 1. Details of the various events and the general arrangements have not yet been received.

CONGRATULATIONS TO MAJOR
Ensign on his excellent shooting in the recent shoot at Kai Tak. His score of 97 was the best of the day.

IT GALAS LISTED
Some idea of the popularity of swimming in the Army in the Colony can be obtained from the fact that already 17 galas are listed to take place at the Victoria Barracks Swimming Pool during the next month or two. A still more imposing list is scheduled for the pool at Sek Kong.

The Welch Regt. held an interesting meeting at Sek Kong Pool on Monday when many people saw a new kind of aquatic event being staged. This was a one width walk for non-swimmers... and quite an event it was too.

It looks like 72 LAA Regt RA is going to be as big a force in the Water Polo League this season as it turned out to be in our football affairs in the season just ended.

IDEA TAKING SHAPE
It is understood that an idea is taking shape locally that more of the bigger regiments and units should enter their sides in the leagues run by the Hongkong Football Association.

This was the general practice in pre-war days and while the circumstances are now very different there is a feeling that others might advantageously follow the lead of REME and RAMC and take part in the civilian competition.

There is no suggestion in this scheme that the present Army teams would be discontinued. The idea seems to be—and I am assured it is only in the idea stage so far—that the Army would compete in the major competition as at present and would continue to have first call on ALL players... and that regimental teams would play in the junior division. This would certainly ensure that teams got plenty of games in a well organised competition, and of course have the chance of playing against the local sides.

And so back to referees... A class for referees and potential referees is being held by the SOFT at the Victoria Barracks Pool on Monday, June 28, commencing at 2.30 p.m. Although the afternoon is being devoted primarily to the need of the referee it is emphasised that anyone interested in the game of water polo will be made welcome.

Granger, the Army and Colony goalkeeper, is going to have plenty of competition for the first team place when he returns to York City in August.

The City have recently signed two goalkeepers who have had lots of experience as the last line of defence. They are Forgan of Hull City and Walter Scott of Dunbarton.

Most Hongkong folks who have watched the Colony goalkeeper during the season will be surprised if he is not quickly in the first team... and in the headlines.

Landy Takes A Day Off

Helsinki, Finland, June 22.
Australia's John Landy spent today at an isolated island off the Finnish coast, resting from his effort in chalking up a new world record of 3:58 for the mile yesterday.

Milners Chris Chataway of Britain and Dean Johnson of Finland, who trained Landy in the historic race at Turku, accompanied the Aussie on his trip.

The three runners went to the island immediately following a celebratory dinner last night and all commiserations between the three were "the mainland" was broken up. They returned from the island, tonight, and Landy went to Johnson's home in Finland.

Would Suzanne Have Beaten "Little Mo"?

By ROY McKELVIE

Those who attend Wimbledon during the "fortnight," which opened on Monday, or watch the play on TV will have the chance of seeing the greatest-ever woman championship lawn tennis player—"Little Mo," Miss Maureen Connolly, aged 19, from San Diego, California, who has not been beaten in a major championship for nearly four years.

Like most people, I find it difficult to assess the present kings and queens of lawn tennis against those of the past; but when I write of "Little Mo" as the greatest of all I am giving the opinion of that great French player of pre-war days, Mme. Simone Mathieu, who won the Wimbledon doubles title three times.

In Paris recently Mme. Mathieu told me she thought that in a championship including such stars of the game as Miss Suzanne Lenglen, Mrs. Helen Wills-Moody, Miss Helen Jacobs, Miss Alice Marble, and Miss Connolly, the last-named would prove the winner.

"But," she added, "in a single match between Miss Connolly and Miss Lenglen I think Suzanne would be the winner."

Miss Connolly is, barring accidents, a certainty for the women's title. She is more confident, more methodically ruthless than ever before. As an experienced champion she is more relaxed. Her game, too, is more complete.

Miss Doris Hart is still the darling of the British crowds. Watching her, you may detect that she is a little slower than before.

Watching them you may well be able to sense the feeling between the players of these two countries.

THE RIVALS

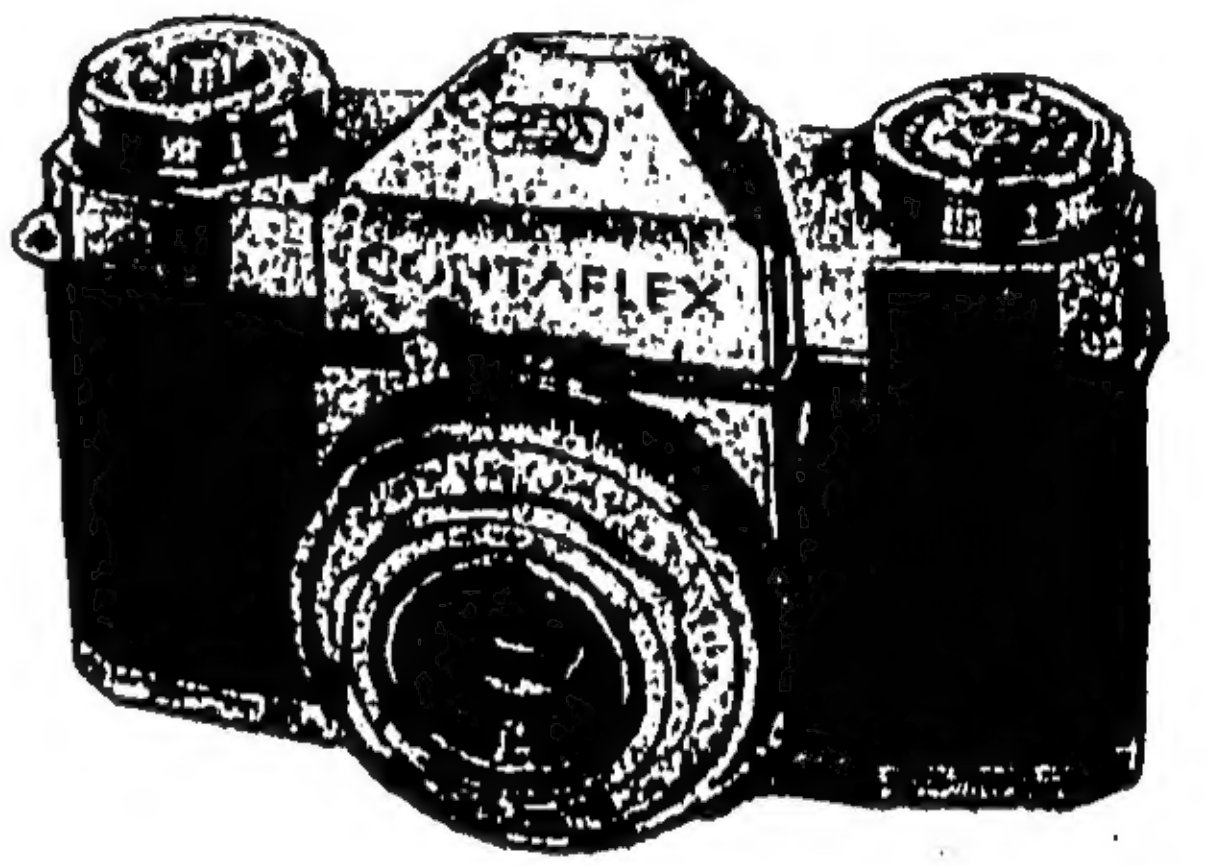
Several of the leading Australians—Lewis Hoad, Ken Rosewall, Mervyn Rose, and Rex Hartwig—dislike playing the two leading Americans, Victor Seixas, the present Wimbledon Champion, and Tony Trabert, Champion of the U.S. and France.

Seixas needles, or irritates, the Australians on and off court, and the Aussies are frightened of Trabert because, they say, he is a player who never quits.

If you like pure classic lawn tennis watch Trabert, who I think, will win the Championship, and Rosewall.

The great thing about Trabert is that he is equally powerful off the ground and on the volley. He is not one of the modern serve-rush-volley performers.

Among the dozens of good players whose games are worth watching is that old hero of Wimbledon crowds Jaroslav Drobny. I always think many would like to see Drobny win, but I fear it is a bit late for that to happen now.



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1st Division—KBCC v Filipino Club at 4.30 p.m.—J. P. Brown, R. H. Browne, G. Norman, J. McKelvie, J. Tindall, A. L. G. Ewing, P. J. Hume, J. Simpson, E. J. Liddell, J. O. Meyer, F. Howard, A. Harvey.

2nd Division—KBCC at KBCC at 3.30 p.m.—J. Bellamy, A. Bailey, B. F. Baker, M. E. Purvis, G. A. Gordon, R. C. Pearce, C. W. Greaves, A. M. Buchanan, H. T. Shields.

3rd Division—KBCC v KBCC at KBCC at 3.30 p.m.—J. O. Jones, J. H. Evans, F. Lowe, C. Wilcox, W. Jones, D. S. Roberts, J. Fox, A. Souter, A. J. Bennett, E. Jones, A. Stewart, R. Mackenzie, R. O'Brien, G. C. Morgan.

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6th Division—KBCC v KBCC at KBCC at 3.30 p.m.—J. O. Jones, J. H. Evans, F. Lowe, C. Wilcox, W. Jones, D. S. Roberts, J. Fox, A. Souter, A. J. Bennett, E. Jones, A. Stewart, R. Mackenzie, R. O'Brien, G. C. Morgan.

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Once He Amputated With A Hacksaw

Hamburg, June 22.
Dr Oskar Kohler, a German
surgeon who once used a car-
penter's drill and chased to
operate on a man's skull in a
Soviet prison camp, was today
awarded the Paracelsus Medal,
highest distinction of the Ger-
man Doctors Association.

Dr Kohler, now 48, was cap-
tured at Stalingrad in 1943. In
the prison camp he amputated
an arm using a borrowed hack-
saw. All he had for sewing up
the incision was a cobbler's
thread.

The first award of the Medal
was made in 1932 to Dr Alfred
Schweitzer, missionary doctor in
Africa. It commemorates the
work of the pioneer Dr Philip-
pus Paracelsus who died in 1541.
—China Mail Special.

DEATH PENALTY
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Washington, June 22.
A sub-committee of the House
of Representatives today ap-
proved a bill providing for the
death penalty in the United
States for peace time espionage.
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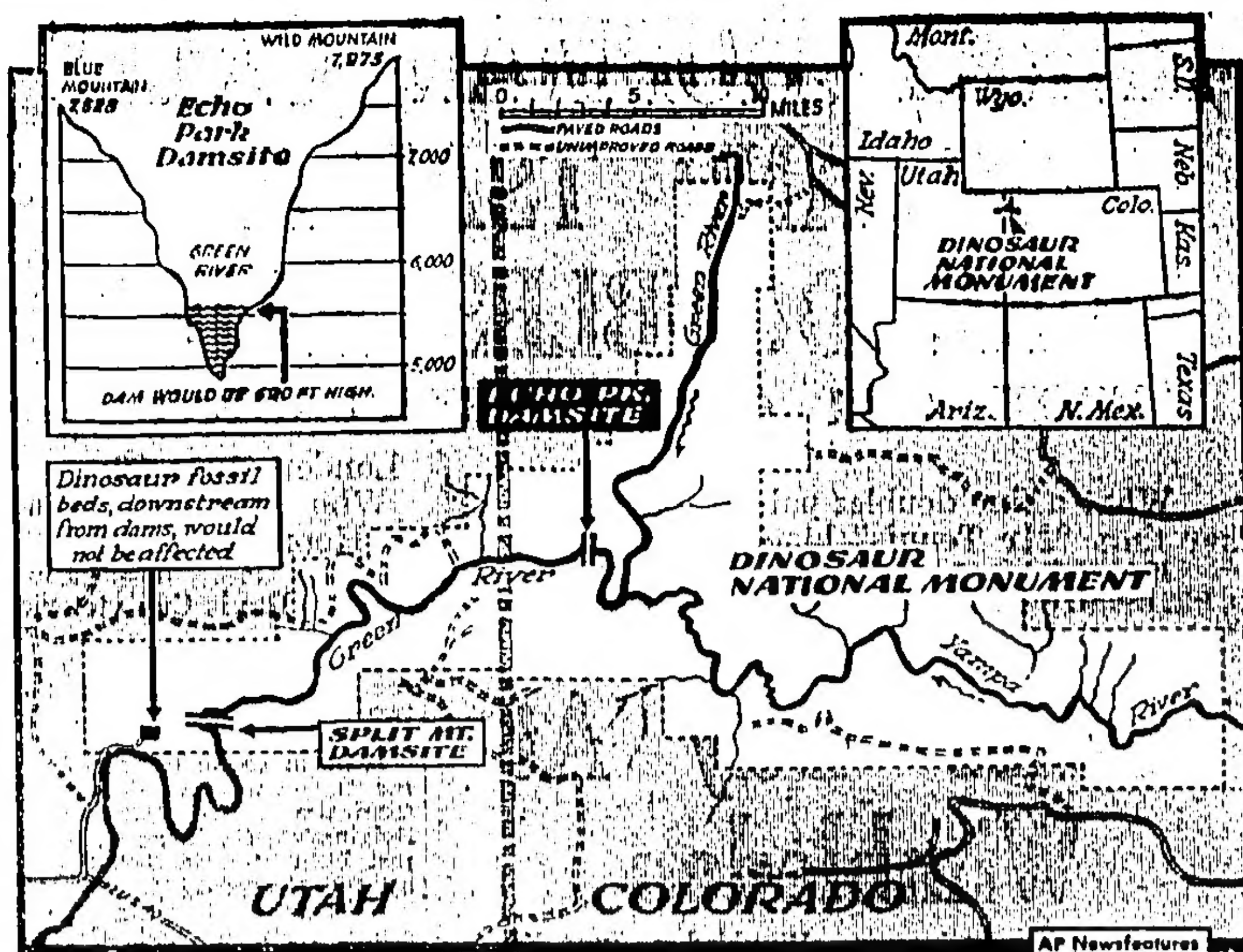
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CONGRESSIONAL STORM OVER A DAM IN A DINOSAUR CEMETERY

New York, June 22.

Seldom has the old saying "it isn't the money, it's the principle of the thing," been given such a thorough workout as in the controversy over the proposed construction of Echo Park Dam in Colorado.

The dam, accounting for about one-fifth of the estimated billion dollar cost of an upper Colorado River development bill now before Congress, would be more or less in the middle of Dinosaur National Monument, which covers 203,885 acres along the Green and Yampa rivers in Colorado and Utah.

That's where the principle comes in. Conservationists contend construction of the irrigation and power dam would be an "invasion" of Dinosaur National

Monument which would establish a precedent that might eventually wipe out many unspoiled natural areas of great scientific value.

Another part of the bill would provide \$21 million for development of Dinosaur National Monument as a recreational area.

The majority report, sum-
marizing the position of backers of the dam says: "The com-
mittee considers that such action
establishes no precedent with
respect to development of water
and power projects in national
parks or monuments, as the
history of the establishment of
the Dinosaur National Monu-
ment indicates its establishment
was never intended to interfere
with water and power develop-
ment."

Bones Found

The majority report says that
"in retaining the Echo Park
Dam, the committee was con-
vinced that such action was in
the best interest of the nation
as a whole" and that "because
of its strategic location in the
upper basin the Echo Park unit
makes feasible other units of
the plan."

Dinosaur National Monument
originally comprised only 80
acres in Utah. It was enlarged
in 1938. It is in the original
monument area that deposits of
dinosaur bones are found.

The majority committee re-
port contends that the Echo
Park development "will in no
way affect the original monu-
ment area (which lies well out-
side the reservoir area), nor did
testimony of witnesses develop
that objects of historic and
scientific interest—not common
to the Rocky Mountain area
generally—would be inundated
by the proposed Echo Park re-
servoir."

Opponents of the bill do not
contend that dinosaur remains
would be flooded by the dam.
Their opposition is based on
the fear that the bill would
touch off widespread violation
of secluded natural spots.

Nine Dams

The upper Colorado project
as a whole includes a system of
nine dams, together with reser-
voirs, power plants, transmis-
sion lines and irrigation works.

The present bill would
authorize only Echo Park
Dam, Glen Canyon Dam, on
the Colorado River in northern
Arizona, and Curcand Dam,
on the Gunnison River near
Gunnison, Colo., together with
11 irrigation projects.

One of the dams, con-
templated for the future is Split
Mountain Dam, a few miles
downstream in Utah from the
Echo Park project.
Echo Park Dam would be a
concrete structure, rising 600
feet above bedrock. Its
reservoir would store 4,400,000
acre-feet of water (an acre
foot is enough water to cover
an acre one foot deep), and
its power plant would generate
500,000 kilowatts.

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Princess Margaret, in grey mink stole over her silk frock and in white straw hat, points as she drives with Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, on to the course at Ascot, Berkshire, for the opening day of the Royal Ascot meeting. The Queen Mother wore lilac and pink with a pink hat.—Reuterphoto.

Italy's Christian Democrats Stiffen Their Defence Against Communism

Rome, June 22.

Italy's huge Christian Democrat party, virtual rulers of the country for the last six years, is to make a new effort to haul itself, and the Italian Government, out of a dangerous period of stagnation.

The party executive has called a meeting of its National Congress, at which more than 1,000 delegates from all over the country will be asked to try to make clear the party's character and its aims.

All delegates are likely to agree on the party's basic aim: to gather Italy's Catholics in monolithic resistance to Communism.

This has been the one point of agreement in the last six years. It has not been enough to prevent the Communists and their left-wing Socialist allies from making steady gains, year by year.

In general elections last year, the Christian Democrats and their small Social Democrat, Liberal and Republican allies failed for the first time to attract half the nation's votes.

Most Christian Democrats attributed this failure to the paralysis engendered by the struggle between the party's various tendencies.

At the National Congress, beginning in Naples on June 27, delegates will in theory be called on to choose between three clear tendencies.

But it is probable that the views of Signor Giovanni

Granchi, President of the Chamber of Deputies and representative of the Christian Democrat left-wing, will gain no big following at the Naples meeting.

He claims his party should accept the offer of collaboration or at least of non-belligerence held out to it for the last two years by the left-wing Socialists of Signor Pietro Nenni.

Abandon NATO?

Nenni has made clear that, even if his party should support a left-wing Christian Democrat Government, it would not denounce its "Pact of United Action" with the Communists.

Signor Granchi finds this no barrier to a degree of understanding with the Nenni Socialists. In a series of recent speeches he has claimed that it would not be impossible for the Christian Democrats to wear Nenni away from the Communists in the long run and thus break up the menacing left-wing bloc.

But to gain the support of the Nenni Socialists would mean adoption of a vigorously progressive social policy at home and, according to Granchi's critics, Italian abandonment of the Atlantic Pact.

Granchi's policies are liked by few Christian Democrats. But he represents a convenient focus for a few of the millions of young Catholics who feel the need for social change, as well as for certain unobtrusive sections of opinion which feel that the Catholic Church may one day cast the mantle of respectability over Communism.

A bigger following is likely to be gained by the tendency at the other end of the scale—that section of Christian Democrats which feels that the Communist menace is so great that everything must be concentrated on conservation.

Spokesmen of this tendency stress that gradually improving conditions over the last six years have not halted Communism.

National Front

At the same time, the moderately progressive policies of successive Christian Democrat Governments have driven many disaffected Conservatives to vote for the Monarchists or even Neo-Fascists.

This tendency claims that the Christian Democrat party should form a close alliance with the right-wing parties, grouping them into a national front against Communism. Many influential figures in the Christian Democrat party support this alliance, including the former Prime Minister, Signor Giuseppe Pella, and some of the party's close collaborators of Signor Alcide De Gasperi.

But the party's right-wing tendency is unlikely to replace them, although they freely admit that this tendency would probably be approved by a majority of the 10,000,000 Italians, out of the total electorate of 24,000,000, who at present vote Christian Democrat.

The third clear tendency at the Congress will be that of the "Catholic Integralists." These are led by Professor Amintore Fanfani, 46 years old, profoundly devout, and now the key figure of the party.

Although generally regarded by his followers as a left-winger, born on social reform, Professor Fanfani has rejected the arguments of Signor Granchi.

Abortive Attempt

In an abortive attempt last year to set up a government, he showed that he was prepared in certain conditions to co-operate with the right-wingers of his own party and even with the Monarchists.

But the failure of this attempt, and the dissatisfaction it created among his own followers, are thought to have discouraged him.

This leaves him with no alternative but to align his forces with Signor De Gasperi, who has become the classical "centre" of the party.

No other section of the Christian Democrat party is likely to be able to overcome the combination of Signor De Gasperi's prestige and the big personal following of Professor Fanfani.

But it is Signor De Gasperi's "centre" policy of the last six years which both left and right wings of his party blame for the continuing advance of the Communists.

Only Policy

Both wings agree, however, that it is probably the only policy that, at the present time, can hold the party firmly united.

Since most of the dissenters to the Congress' final decision are likely to be right-wingers, the "centre" combination may in post-Congress practice be drawn slightly to the right of the present centre position.

This may impose a severe strain on the present Italian Government. Headed by Signor Mario Scelba, this Government continues the tradition, established by a cautiously progressive social policy, strong support of the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation, and European Union, of the former Prime Minister, Signor Alcide De Gasperi.

TRADE and COMMERCE SECTION

French Industry At New Peak But Future Viewed With Misgiving

Paris, June 22.

France's economic activity has recently made further headway, reaching an all-time record level, according to official statistics.

In April the official index for industrial production rose for the first time above the previous high of 152 (1938=100), reaching 156, and the Finance Minister, M. Faure, has stated that further progress was made in May.

With an index figure of 156 for April, France's industrial production was around 75 per cent higher than a year earlier; for the first four months of 1954 the index averaged 152, or 4.5 per cent above the 146 recorded for the corresponding period of 1953.

The improvement in the economic position is not evenly distributed. As was the case last year, the movement is especially strong in industries consuming foodstuffs (durable and non-durable).

CAR INDUSTRY LEAD

The motor-car industry is in the lead, with an increase in production amounting to some 33 per cent for April, and to about 26 per cent for the first four months of 1954, as compared with the corresponding periods of 1953.

The textile industry, which had already well recovered in 1953, recorded for March last a gain of around 11 per cent over March, 1953. The output of the oil refineries in April showed an increase of some 8 per cent, that of the basic chemical industries one of some 20 per cent, and electricity some 15 per cent.

Activity in the steel industry, which in the first months of 1954 was still appreciably below the levels of a year earlier, has steadily improved lately, but definite figures for May are not yet available.

The general picture is, however, not considered in Paris with too much optimism, and a number of misgivings are expressed in many quarters.

The President of the French Employers' Federation, M. Villiers, in the bulletin of the

Federation, points out that France is faced with (a) fresh trade liberalisation measures on November 1 next, providing for a rise from 53 per cent to 65 per cent of the proportion of quota-free imports, and (b) the prospective return to convertibility of the pound and the Deutschmark.

M. Villiers holds the view that far-reaching reforms should be urgently introduced to enable France to withstand the pressure resulting from the possible influx of foreign products which would be combined with the obligation to settle them entirely in strong currencies.

Stressing the excessive tax burden which weighs on French industry and renders it non-competitive, he warns that in the present state of the nation's economy international competition would be disastrous for French producers and ruinous for French monetary reserves.

BIG BUDGET DEFICITS

In their annual reports for 1953, the big nationalised deposit banks similarly point to the weak spots in the French picture, such as the persistent huge budget deficits, the considerable discrepancies between French and international prices, and the huge, although decreasing, deficit in the French balance of payments, which is covered by American grants.

They too, call for reforms, stating that the measures taken last year leave almost entirely unsolved the problems which dominate the French economy.

The 1954 Budget is likely to show a higher deficit—some French experts estimated it recently at up to Frs.900,000,000, following the vote of substantial additional expenditures.

German Production Still Growing

Frankfurt, June 22.

The upward trend of German industrial activity in May was even more marked than in previous months. The monthly survey of the Bank Deutscher Lander, which anticipates a continuing boom, points out that orders for capital goods are increasing both for the German market and for markets abroad.

"In particular," adds the survey, "demand for machine tools, usually an indication of industrial investment, has very appreciably increased." The survey continues by saying "the fact that building activity is still gaining in momentum has

almost become a matter of course."

The rise in the output of consumer goods is less marked.

May's increase in employment was greater than the corresponding decrease in unemployment; the number of school leavers, at 810,000, exceeded last year's total.

RISE IN SAVINGS

Savings deposits rose by 1,540m. marks during the January-April period, against 920m. marks during the comparable period of 1953.

In this connection, the Bank hopes that the recent reduction of the rate of discount will have some effect on the general level of interest rates in the capital market.

In addition "the steady inflow of foreign exchange resulting from the favourable balance of payments situation can hardly fail to exercise pressure on the level of rates of interest."

Total reserves of foreign exchange stand at 9,700m. marks (\$2,300m.), of which dollar and gold reserves account for more than 60 per cent.

Reports from various sectors of industry, published during the last few days, fully bear out the conclusions of the survey. Output of motor-cars in May, amounting to about 55,000 units, was 10 per cent higher than in April, when production was running one-third larger than in April 1953.

Orders of steel orders is about 45 per cent above the level of April 1953. For the first time in many months the output of steel in May, at 1,500,000 tons, was higher than a year before.

Beer—At \$20 A Bottle

London, June 22.

There is one bottle of beer in the Lamb Inn at Regent Regis, Sussex, which no one can buy—and if they could it would cost them \$20.

It was brewed by King Edward the Seventh just before his coronation in 1902. He was visiting a brewery at Burton-on-Trent and he pulled the lever which brewed the ale. The beer, which is more than double the strength of present-day stuff, was distributed in pint bottles to some of the brewery's customers. — China Mail Special.

HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

(From Our Correspondent)

Business on the Stock Exchange this morning amounted to \$429,708.40. Noon quotations and the morning's dealings:

SHARES	BUYERS	SELLERS	SALES
H.K. Bank	1055	1600	145 at 1655
Union	840	845	10 at 842½
Underwriters			220 at 6.70
SHIPPING			
Waterboat	18.80		1 at 18.80
DOCKS, ETC.			
K. Wharf	61	63	
Dock	12.10	12.12	
Provident (S)	12.10	12.12	
Shai Dock	7.05	7.15	1000 at 7.10
Wheeler			
LAND, ETC.			
H.K. Hotel	0.85		500 at 0.85
H.K. Land	57½	58	500 at 0.50
Shai Land	1.30	1.32	
Humphreys	17.70		
Realty	1.95		
UTILITIES			
Tram	27.70	28	300 at 28
Star Ferry	121		1000 at 27.80
C. Light (S)	10.15	10.40	1000 at 10.40
C. Light (N)	12.30	12.40	1118 at 12.30
Electric	20.70	20	100 at 20.50
Manco	10½		
Telephone	28.50		
INDUSTRIALS			
Dairy	34.40	34.60	2400 at 34½
Water	15.40	15.50	600 at 15½
NEW COTTONS			
Textiles	6½		
MISCELLANEOUS			
Yongtze	0.10		
Wing Lee	73	147	
Allied Inv.	3.70	3.71½	

New York Sugar Market

New York, June 22.

World No. 4 sugar futures today closed unchanged to 1 point higher with sales of 43 contracts.

Domestic No. 6 sugar futures closed 1 point lower to 1 point higher with sales of 63 contracts.

Both markets continued to be rather quiet and routine, with dealers said. Future closings:

Contract No. 4 (world)	
July	32.25
Sept.	32.40
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George's Wealth

AMONG the tramps of the countryside, some kind of fellowship may exist, but those who in London make begging their trade, are mostly men without friends or families, roots or relations, a joyless lot, the loneliest men in the town.

One such George seemed—a lean, gaunt man in a mackintosh, who was found guilty at Bow Street of begging.

When the charge was proved, the magistrate, Mr. Bertram Reese, remanded George so that the doctors might have a look at him, and perhaps discover why, at the age of 51, he should have lost all pleasure in life, all faith and pride in himself.

TRUMPED UP

IN due course, George was brought back and he stood in the dock again, and looked about him with a kind of puzzled melancholy, as if trying to recall what it was that had brought him to such a place.

The magistrate read what the doctors had written and a probation officer slipped into the witness-box.

"He still maintains," said the probation officer, "that this is a trumped-up charge."

"He does, does he," said the magistrate.

AN ALLOWANCE

"THIS man tells me," the probation officer went on, "that he was, in regular work until last September, and since then has had casual jobs. He also says he receives a small monthly allowance that is paid to him through solicitors."

Mr. Reese raised his eyebrows and looked at George who, in truth, did not look like a man with an unearned income, however small.

"That's right," said George, "and me brother's here, and I can go and stay with him."

"Is his brother here?" the magistrate asked.

HE STUCK IT

THE brother came forward, a spruce, younger replica of George. "Are you prepared to help him?" the magistrate inquired.

"Oh yes, sir, he is my brother. I've been paying his rent, as a matter of fact, while he's been away from home."

Mr. Reese nodded approvingly. "My brother," said George's brother, "did have one job, you know, as a sailing boat man, and I must say it for him, he stuck it through rain and shine. In rain and shine he stuck it."

"Had a job with the gas, too," said George, catching the reminiscence of a family reunion, and he might have gone on, but a policeman said: "There is a gentleman at the back of the court, from the solicitors, who says he can advance the prisoner some money."

EVERYTHING IN THE GARDEN...

"YOUR financial position seems to improve every few seconds," said the magistrate to George, who wilyly smiled.

An elderly solicitor's managing clerk came into the witness-box and cautiously said he was authorised to advance George a very small amount from a very small trust he held on his behalf in Scotland.

George began to cheer up, and rubbed his bony hands together as if his palms already itched. "Well, I'll discharge you conditionally," Mr. Reese said to him, and added, noticing George's grin: "But you mustn't think that because your friends come forward, everything in the garden is lovely. There may come a rainy day. You get a job of work."

George tried for a moment to work that out, gave up trying and said: "That's right." Then he hurried off to catch up with his friends and relations—and with his small inheritance. He was no longer one of London's lonely beggar men, but a man of substance again.

Ng Kwai-lop, 26-year-old fishing junk master, was cautioned by Mr. W.R.K. Collins at the Marine Court this morning for failing to display navigation lights while being underway in Yaumatei Bay yesterday.

The Doctors Smoked Just As Heavily

Cancer Society Report Reaction

San Francisco, June 22. Cigarette sales went briskly at the American Medical Association convention headquarters today despite an American Cancer Society report indicating a link between smoking and cancer and heart disease.

Tobacco company issues on the New York Stock Exchange dropped sharply today after the report was released to the Association yesterday. Doctors attending the national meeting here apparently were puffing away at a normal rate.

Mrs. Wilma Kurz, manager of the hotel's tobacco counter, said: "I have not noticed any difference in cigarette sales and I've been here 10 years. I've certainly been busy selling cigars and cigarettes today."

The reaction of convention delegates was varied. Dr. Edward McCormick, 62, outgoing AMA president, said he would continue smoking his regular pack a day.

NOT PROVEN

"I have not read the actual report and I'm not an authority on the subject," he said. "But from what I've read in the newspapers I don't think they have really proven that cigarettes are as harmful as they say."

There is a "great possibility of connection" between cigarettes and the increased death rate, he said, but "the connection has not been proven as of this date."

Dr. McCormick said that while the report "undoubtedly" would change American cigarette smoking habits, "it won't change mine."

Supporting Mrs. Kurz' report that sales over the counter were still holding up was the scene in convention conference rooms, which were filled with smoke.

Dr. Charles Cameron, medical and scientific director of the Cancer Society, predicted that the nation's smoking habits would change as a result of the study.

Dr. Walter B. Martin, 66, inaugurated new AMA president tonight, said that whether a person wanted to quit smoking as a result of the report was an "individual decision."—United Press.

PETROVS IN MELBOURNE

Melbourne, June 23. Mr. Vladimir Petrov, of the Russian diplomatic corps sought political asylum in Australia last April, has arrived here secretly from Sydney, the Melbourne Argus reported today.

The newspaper said he was accompanied by his wife, Evdokia.

A man who knew the Petrovs well recognized them as they drove through Melbourne streets with a security escort, the report said. They were believed to have been taken to a luxurious suburban home, where they will stay until they appear as witnesses before a Russian Commission into alleged espionage, which resumes here on June 30.

Australian security officials refused to discuss the couple's whereabouts. But they said the Petrovs were "happy and well" and are allowed freedom of movement.—Reuter.

SHOWDOWN BATTLE

(Continued from Page 1)

bulletin from Radio Tegucigalpa, capital of Honduras.

This said Colonel Armas had sent an ultimatum to the Guatemalan Government to surrender by 2000 GMT or it would be impossible to avoid further bloodshed.

Colonel Lira, commanding units of Armas' forces, was quoted as saying that up to now only a few skirmishes had occurred and casualties were not high.

Radio Honduras reported the arrival of two vessels carrying arms from the United States. It said these were for the Honduran Government's defence and not to be given to the Guatemalan invaders.—Reuter.

Yugoslav Orphans Visit England



Television Commercials Criticised

Alleged Effect On Children

Washington, June 22. A temperance spokesman testified today that television commercials are causing little children to call for a beer when they visit the soda fountain.

To illustrate her point, Miss Elizabeth Smart, legislative director of the Women's Christian Temperance Union, recited several beer advertising jingles for a Senate Commerce subcommittee.

These musical rhymes have a natural attraction for children, she said, so that when asked what they will have at a soda fountain they "automatically answer" with the name of a popular beer.

Miss Smart was one of 26 religious and temperance leaders appearing before the subcommittee in support of a bill to ban liquor, beer and wine advertising in inter-State commerce.

They were accused by the National Package Stores Association of trying to gain a foothold for prohibition by attacking alcoholic advertising.

Leading off for the opposition, Ben Joseph, President of the Association, said the legislation was an attempt to hack away on a "one piece at a time basis."

Mrs. Gwen Hays, President of the WCTU, told the subcommittee that liquor advertising was the reason homes were being built around "the bar in the basement" rather than the "family altar."

She said the car, the news stand, the radio and television "have made it utterly impossible for even the most concerned parent to protect his child from undesirable outside influences."—United Press.

Mr Casey Taken Suddenly Ill

London, June 22. Mr. Richard Casey, Australian External Affairs Minister, was taken suddenly ill and admitted to the Tropical Diseases Hospital here yesterday. It was disclosed today.

Mr. Casey was stated at the hospital tonight to be "quite comfortable."

He is expected to leave hospital tomorrow morning and will be able to meet Sir Winston Churchill and Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Secretary, before he flies to New York on Thursday night.—Reuter.

Buckingham Palace Luncheon

Her Majesty the Queen entertained former President Auriol of France and Madame Auriol at a luncheon today in Buckingham Palace.

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother was also present and other guests included the Foreign Secretary, Mr. Anthony Eden, and the British Ambassador to France, Sir Gladwyn Jebb.

M. and Mme. Auriol are on a private visit to Britain.—United Press.

State Of Emergency Declared

Des Moines, Iowa, June 22.

Mayor Joseph Van Dresser proclaimed a state of emergency today as the highest water in 150 years surged toward this capital.

Residents of low areas were urged to evacuate their homes.

The Red Cross said 822 families had been "affected" by the floods and 614 families had been evacuated.

The Des Moines weather bureau predicted a flood crest of 29 to 30 feet here on the Des Moines river on Thursday, to seven feet above flood level.

The previous record high was 27.3 feet in 1903. The worst flood in city history was in June, 1947, when the Des Moines crested at 28.5 feet and one-fifth of the city was submerged.

The Raccoon River, which joins the Des Moines River here, is expected to crest at 17 1/2 to 18 1/2 feet late on Thursday or early Friday.

National Guard units were put on standby alert to fight the record crests.

The Mayor issued a statement warning against panic and assured residents that the city government "will do all it can" to lessen possible damages.

He called on "each and every citizen to carry out the orders of officials" during this emergency period.

National Guardsmen, city employees and volunteers piled thousands of sandbags around the city waterworks. The river broke through at one point, but workers put out a call for more bags and said they believed they could save the plant.—United Press.

RED UNIONISTS' CONFERENCE

Berlin, June 22.

A three-day conference of European trade unionists sponsored by the Communist-led World Federation of Trade Unions ended here today with an appeal to European workers to fight against the European Defence Community Treaty and a resolution against the use of atomic weapons.

The East German news agency ADN said the conference was attended by 513 delegates from 22 European countries. A guest delegate was Mr. Virilio Guerra, Guatemalan trade unionist.—Reuter.

PI-Japan Reparations Compromise Possible

Manila, June 23.

Nacionalista senators today moved towards a compromise with the President on the reparations issue with Senators Claro M. Recto and Gil Puyat issuing what observers termed as heartening statements.

Senator Recto, who had earlier taken the President to task for sending a reparations survey mission to Japan, this morning pressed anew for a reparations plan that would make Japan pay the Philippines US\$800,000,000 within a five-year period.

Senator Puyat, a ranking member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, announced that he was ready to relax his US\$1,000,000,000 demand from Japan should new facts be presented by the survey mission.

The presidential reparations survey mission met yesterday afternoon for the first time in Manila since its return from Japan to put the final touches to its report to the President.

The mission, headed by Finance Secretary Mr. Jaime Hernandez, is rushing its report to the President since apparently the reparations issue has taken on a new note of urgency in legislative circles.

While it was the first formal reunion yesterday since the arrival of its members early this month from Japan, members have been meeting separately in small groups to discuss their respective studies and to evaluate their findings for the entire mission to consider.

Another meeting has been scheduled for next week.—France-Press.

11 SENTENCES CONFIRMED

Cairo, June 23.

The Revolution Command Council last night confirmed all but two sentences on 13 Army officers charged with plotting to overthrow the Government of Lieutenant-Colonel Gamal Abdel Nasser on May Day.

The Council suspended execution of the sentences on two Lieutenants—one given seven years and the other one year—for aiding the prosecution in their investigation.

Sixteen officers were charged but the tribunal acquitted three of them.

The ringleader, Captain Ahmed Ali Hassan el Mary, got 15 years' imprisonment.

The officers were charged with planning to depose Colonel Nasser, the Premier and "strong man" of the Revolution, and restore Parliament life in Egypt.—Reuter.

Television Bill Passed

London, June 23.

The House of Commons last night finally passed the Government's controversial bill to introduce commercial television into Britain as a rival to the British Broadcasting Corporation.

The bill, introduced by Mr. L. R. Gammans, Assistant Postmaster-General, said the new television authority, drawing its revenue chiefly from advertising, would be on the air next year.—Reuter.

2 1/2 YEARS FOR ATTACKING MAN WITH CHOPPER

The prevalence of deaths caused by chopper attacks was commented upon by Judge A. D. Scholes at the Victoria District Court this morning when he sent a 34-year-old wharf messenger to prison for two years and six months for unlawfully and maliciously wounding another wharf messenger.

"I would have ordered you to be caned but for the medical report saying that you are unfit for strokes," His Honour told the prisoner Man Ying, alias Man Tai.

Man Ying had originally pleaded not guilty to wounding Chan Chiu on May 13 with intent to cause him grievous bodily harm, and to the alternative charge of unlawful and malicious wounding.

This morning, however, he told the Court he was pleading guilty to the alternative charge.

Inspector T. Kavanagh, the Court Prosecutor, asked for a short adjournment in order to take instructions as to whether he should accept the plea put forward by the accused.

Following the adjournment, he told His Honour that he would accept the plea. The accused was formally discharged on the first count.

RIVALRY OVER WORK

Giving the facts, Inspector Kavanagh said that the complainant and the accused had been employed at the Wing Lok Wharf, Connaught Road West, for some time. There was a certain amount of rivalry existing between them in the course of their work.

About 5.35 p.m. on May 13, a quarrel arose between the two out of the possession of a delivery note in which dispute the watch foreman had to intervene.

The accused went away, but returned half an hour later, holding a chopper behind his back. He attacked the complainant with it, inflicting wounds on the ear, face and forearm.

The accused was detained by the other workers on the wharf and turned over to the Police. The wounded man was taken to the hospital, where he remained for three days.

In a plea of mitigation, Man Ying asked for leniency. He said he had a family to support, and this was the first time he had committed an offence.

SCAB ON FACE

At the request of His Honour, the complainant was brought forward so that the Judge could have a closer look at the scar on his face.

Addressing the prisoner, Judge Scholes told him that he had admitted attacking an unarmed man with a dangerous weapon, a chopper.

Holding the chopper aloft, His Honour declared: "This is the sort of act which has caused many people to be killed. It is fortunate that you did not wound the complainant more seriously."

After stressing the gravity of the offence, he added: "I would have ordered you to be caned but for the medical report saying that you are unfit for strokes. I sentence you to two years and six months' imprisonment with hard labour."

Radio Hongkong

Time Signal and Programme Summary, 6.03. Lucky Dip—Variety Requests presented by Margaretta (Studio), Jack Fina (Piano) with Orchestra and vocal; 7.15, Orchestra of the Week—Orchestra Des Concerts; 7.45, Letter from America by Alister Cooke (Recorded London Relay); 8.10, News Talk (London Relay) by Monica Beaumont; 8.30, Denny Kaye interviewed by John Wallace (Recorded London Relay); 8.45, News (Piano), Clifford Wilks (Clarinet) and Kaye Ayles Trio No. 7 in B flat Major; 9.00, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 9.15, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 9.30, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 9.45, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 10.00, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 10.15, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 10.30, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 10.45, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 11.00, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 11.15, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 11.30, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 11.45, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 12.00, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 12.15, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 12.30, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 12.45, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 1.00, Time Signal (Concert Hall); 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